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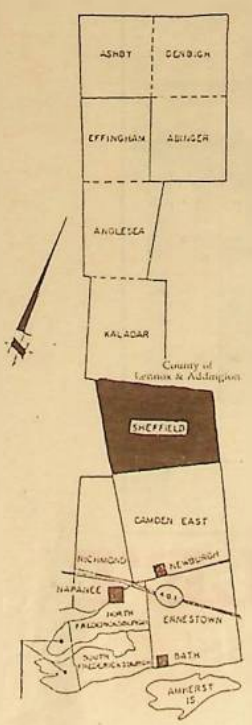
TOWNSHIP OF SHEFFIELD 1821

Sheffield Township

In Sheffield Township, entered by 41, the hills become mountainous, bush thickens to forest. The township was settled, for the most part, by hard-fisted Irishmen, driven from their beloved homeland to a harsh new country from which they wrestled a living, while having a roaring good time. They came to Sheffield long before the Richmond Road was built, by the Forest Mills-Westplain-Maribank trail, or a similar trail from Clark's Mills. The Richmond Road did not at first extend as far as Sheffield, but finally the Addington Colonization Road was built to the boundary. Still later Lennox and Addington's road builder, A.B. Percy, continued the road north, at last linking Sheffield to the outside world of commerce. Through Sheffield the Addington Road is still called the Perry Road, now No. 41.

Leaving 41 at the Tamworth sign drive east to the village first known as Wheeler's Mills. Most of the Irishmen coming to Sheffield had been tenant farmers. Calvin Wheeler was a millwright who built a sawmill and a grist mill, then, in 1830, his own house on Wheeler Street, still occupied by Wheelers. Tamworth was also an industrial village, using the Salmon River's water power to run many industries. There were two wagon makers, cabinet makers, doctors, a druggist, a gunsmith and a dye house. Completion of a road to Napanee affected Tamworth's industries very little, since horse and wagon travel to Napanee was much too slow to be undertaken frequently.



Live on the edge!

Come to Sheffield Township

Located in the heart of Lennox and Addington County, Sheffield Township enables you to live on the edge of nature and yet be within comfortable commuting distance of Belleville, Napanee and Kingston. Twenty minutes north of Napanee on Highway 41, the township offers a picturesque rural setting within a varied landscape.

Blessed with several lakes, rivers, ponds and streams, many of which are surrounded by Crown Land, the municipality provides opportunities for fishing, boating, swimming, hunting, hiking and more — a nature enthusiast's dream. The majority of development has been focused in the hamlets of Tamworth and Erinsville, with waterfront development occurring around Beaver Lake and portions of White Lake.

The thriving, full-service community of Tamworth provides residents with many of the amenities of urban life, including a medical clinic, a variety of stores and shops, a bank, a library, an arena, restaurants, an LCBO outlet, a building-supplies centre, a feed mill, a carpet and floor covering store, and much more. Sheffield residents are truly proud of their community and the rural character that prevails. Township officials are dedicated to continued controlled growth, and we welcome your inquiries.

The township remains on the edge — not too big, not too small — a great place to live!

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Women's Institute

During her husband's term as Governor General of Canada Lady Tweedsmuir took a great interest in Women's Institutes. She stressed the need for preserving the history of the area where each W.I was located. That is why this history of Sheffield Township is called a Tweedsmuir History.

Lord and Lady Tweedsmuir lived in Canada from 1935-1940 while he was Governor-General. They were well accepted and popular with the Canadian people.

The world's first Women's Institute was organized in Ontario at Stoney Creek on Feb. 19, 1897. Tamworth Branch was formed in 1921.

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They practise what they preach

June 6, 1939

IF CITY dwellers have been following the reports of the annual district meetings of Women's Institutes these days, we think they will be astonished at the breadth and sanity of the interests of these admirable organizations. Scarcely any problem of community, national or international affairs to which women can devote their intelligent consideration is neglected.

If we were asked to give in a phrase a reason for the great and almost worldwide success of the Women's Institute movement we think we should answer that it is because the spirit of "practise what you preach" pervaded their meetings. Members have well-informed ideas about such things as national and international affairs and the study of such matters is not so much for the purpose of giving gratuitous advice to governments as it is for the sake of equipping the members of the institutes to make their own decisions and take intelligent action if ever the occasion arises. The Women's Institutes improve their communities, the nation and the world because the members start with self-improvement.

(From The Whig-Standard's archives.)

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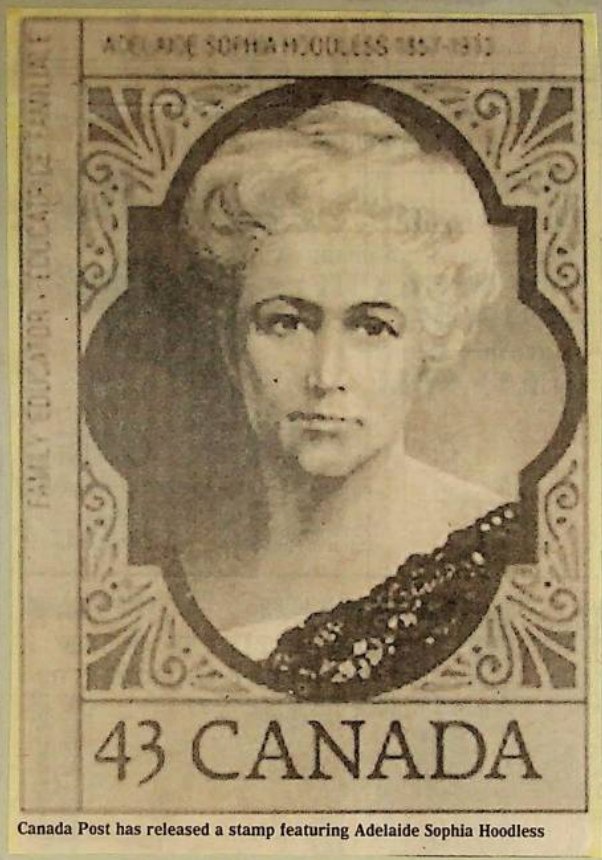
Canada Post Honors Founder of W.I.



Canada Post has released a stamp featuring Adelaide Sophia Hoodless

The Women's Institutes of Ontario began in 1897 when a group of women founded the Women's Department of the Farmers' Institute of South Wentworth — a name that was changed at the second meeting to The Women's Institute of Saltfleet (Stoney Creek) — following a spirited address by Adelaide Hunter Hoodless, who suggested women should create an organization of their own to study homemaking, just as the Farmers' Institute studied farming.

Farmer Erland Lee and his wife Janet were also early WI pioneers and it was at their home in Stoney Creek that the first constitution of the Women's Institute was written.

The Canadian post office recently released four new commemorative postage stamps honoring women and one of these stamps pictures Adelaide Hoodless (1857-1910) founder of the Women's Institutes as well as being the co-founder of the Victorian Order of Nurses.

THE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE has been a rural-based organization for some 85 years but it is now gaining a foothold in urban areas.

A new Women's Institute for women living in the Ernestown, Bayridge and Collins Bay area met for the first time last week and will hold its charter meeting on April 7.

"It is very exciting to get a new branch underway and particularly one in an urban area," said Valerie Smith of Selby, who is the Federated Women's Institute of Ontario branch organizer for the area.

"The WI is changing its focus a little and it no longer concerns itself purely with rural matters but is becoming involved in all kinds of women's issues. We will still be concerned with rural issues but with many other issues too," she said.

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MRS. HAGGERTY

It was with sincere sorrow that Women's Institute members in Ontario, in the other provinces, and the North West Territories learned of the death of the beloved Annie Haggerty.

Mrs. Haggerty was a dedicated member of the Women's Institute starting as a member of the Napanee Junior Women's Institute and then going into the Senior organization. In her own County and Area she served in many capacities and was elected F.W.I.O. President in 1956. In 1961 she was elected President of the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada.

For many years she was a 4-H Homemaking Club Leader and still found time to be active in her church and its organizations. She was active in promoting the Lennox County Historical Museum.

In 1963 Mrs. Haggerty was chosen by the Napanee Business and Professional Women's Club for her outstanding leadership. She was presented to Queen Elizabeth II and Prince Philip in 1967 and was the recipient of a Centennial Medal.

Mrs. Haggerty died on April 19, 1972 and is buried in the Haggerty Family plot in the Napanee Cemetery.

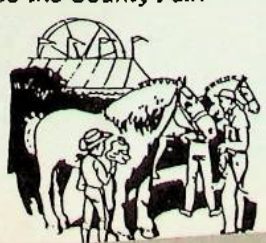
Lottie Bradshaw Annie Milligan
Mae Price Ida Bell

M.I. DISPLAYS AT CENTREVILLE FAIR

1. Literacy - 1990

County Fair

I have been
to the County Fair!
And people came
from everywhere,
We saw the livestock
row on row,
(That's cows and pigs
and sheep, you know).
Some boys brought
rabbits they had fed
And won prize ribbons,
blue and red.
We saw popcorn
and lemonade
And stopped to have
some in the shade.
The band played
all the afternoon
"The Maple Leaf Forever"
and then a tune
Over and over,
until we found
It wasn't the band -
but the Merry-Go-Round!
The horses had a night parade!
You should have seen
the dust they made.
Life is all fun,
I do declare,
When one can go
to the County Fair!



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People call Jim Hughes 'walking history book'

By JACK CHIANG
Staff Writer

CENTREVILLE — Jim Hughes just smiles when people refer to him as "the walking history book" of Camden East Township.

Few of the 3,809 local residents know more about the history of the township than he does. It is not only because Hughes has spent all of his 73 years in the area, but also because he was the editor of the only history book on the township.

Hughes said because of his knowledge of the past, he has been aware of the drastic changes that have occurred. Some of these changes upset him. The decline in population is one of them. The loss of business is another.

"It's been downhill all the way since 1870," Hughes said of the township population.

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In the 1800s, he said, there were about 1,500 people living in Newburgh, now its population is about half of that.

In Croydon, where he was born, there used to be two hotels, two blacksmith shops, one cheese factory, two general stores and one school. Now there is no business and there are only about 10 houses left.

In Centreville, there used to be three general stores and three hotels, now there is only one garage.

"I really feel sad about this decline," he said.

Hughes said that in the old days, people were more neighborly and were more dependent on each other. Men used to get together to help each other during the harvesting season. Women used to get together to discuss — among other things — what kind of flour is best for making bread.

"There were many kinds of flour available and the women never figured out which was best for their bread," Hughes said.

Hughes said the advent of the automobile has changed people's lifestyle, for better and for worse.

"In the old days, when people were driving horses and buggies, they did all their trading in stores nearby.

"Every village was self-contained those days," he said.

On the other hand, Hughes said, people seemed to drink more than they do now.

"It didn't cost that much in those days and you could charge it at the hotels and pay back later with meat and other farm products," Hughes said.

Hughes said he retired as principal of the Tamworth Public School just north of the township in 1965. Two years later he was asked by Edgar Drew, who was the reeve of the township, to write an article on the educational system of the township. Many people brought historic papers to him and it was finally decided that he would write the history of the whole township.

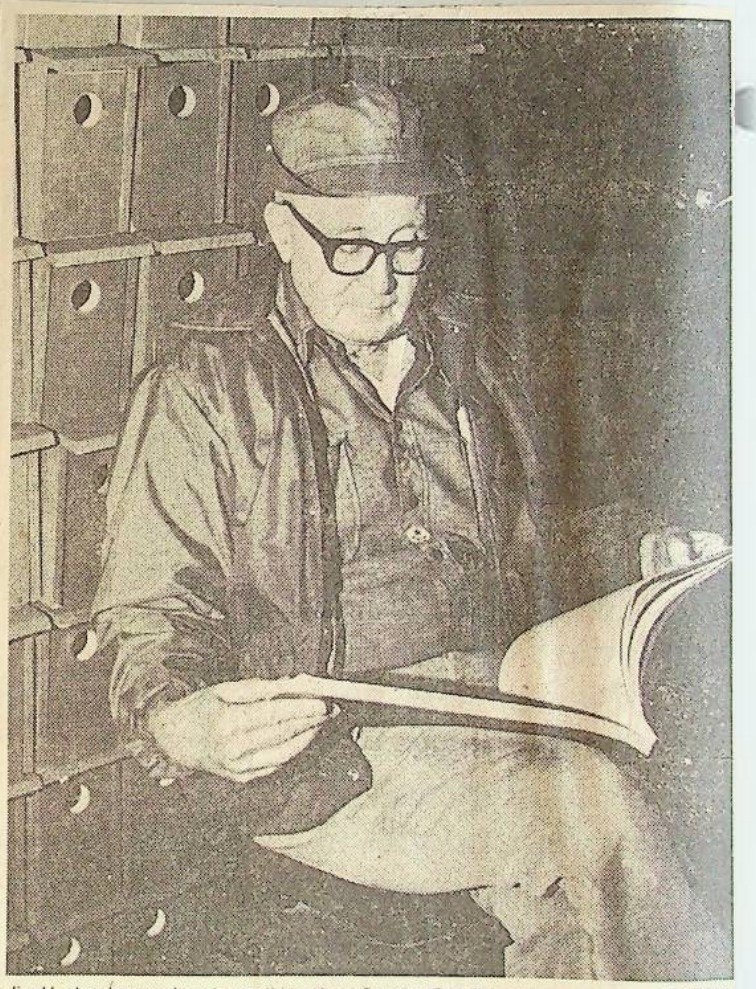
"At first we had no money and no budget. But council later gave the historical committee $400 and Hughes and his colleagues managed to sell some advertisements.

The research was time-consuming but there was no major difficulty. Hughes said he later decided to write an individual article on the history of each village.

The book, published by Frank Erautt, a former resident, was done in time to be sold at the 1970 Centreville Fair.

Hughes said all of the 1,600 copies of the book have been sold now. The book has helped a few people in tracing their family trees. A former resident of the township who is now living in California wrote a book on her family in the township after she had read Hughes' book.

"I got her started," Hughes said.



Jim Hughes knows almost everything about Camden East Township 1980 —Jack Chiang

Many residents of Tamworth and area have fond memories of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hughes. Jim was principal of Tamworth Public School and taught grades seven and eight from Jan. 1942 until June 1965. His wife Laura taught the primary grades from Sept. 19[illegible] until June 1967. Mrs. Hughes died August 1972 and Mr. Hughes died September 1995.

W.I. AREA MEETING

February 1992

Women's Institute members are being urged to support the farmers' protest march on Parliament Hill in Ottawa, Feb. 21.

Judy Smith, Kingston Area Women's Institute director on the board of the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario, emphasizes the need for a strong farm economy.

Mrs. Smith says: "Agriculture not only affects farmers, but also processors and marketers. Actually, society as a whole benefits when things are going well for farmers. Let's support them in this quest for a better deal for agriculture!"

Mrs. Margaret Eberle, of RR 1 Highgate, is the new president of the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario. President-elect is Mrs. Donna Russell, Stirling. Public relations officer is Mrs. Margaret Athens, Powassan. Mrs. Glenna Smith, Arkell, is program co-ordinator. Mrs. Hilda Morden Rodney is branch co-ordinator. Branch co-ordinator is a new office, with the objective of gaining 14 new WI branches in Ontario in 1992.

Mrs. Valerie Smith, RR 1 Selby, is Kingston-area WI representative on this new committee. She will welcome assistance in organizing new branches.

Conference '92 will be held in Thunder Bay August 7, 8, and 9 with the theme Women In Their Environment.

Tree-planting will continue in 1992. Local branches holding tree-planting ceremonies are requested to take pictures and forward them to president Margaret Eberle. She plans to make a collage of all these pictures.

REG WHITTY

Women's Institute Days will be June 5 and 6, at the Erland Lee Home. A new pin is for sale bearing a picture of the Lee Homestead on it. Donations for the upkeep of the Lee Home are needed. They should be marked "General Fund" and forwarded to Mrs. Joan Playle, RR 1 Guelph, N1H 6J4. It is costing $104 a day just to keep the home, whether it's open or not.

WI Institutes in Ontario donated $20,000 to Women Feed The World, and $39,000 to Pennies For Friendship last year.

There will be a quilt fest August 7-16 in the WI hall at the Ontario Agricultural Museum, Milton.

Pitch-In Week will be May 4-10. This will be a special opportunity to help keep the environment free of litter.

A centennial committee has been formed to organize the WI's 100th anniversary on June 21-29, 1997, in Toronto.

A new yellow rose, called Laura Rose, honoring Laura Rose Stephen, an early WI organizer, is available. WI members are asked to save postage stamps for the 100th anniversary and to participate in the quilt competition.

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Be proud Canadians, speaker tells WI members

REG WHITTY

Judy Smith, Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario Kingston Area board member, was the special speaker at the Frontenac District WI annual meeting in Parham.

In announcing the theme for 1992 — Proud To Be A Canadian — Mrs. Smith said: "Don't be afraid to be a proud Canadian. . . . Think of all that we have in Canada, and be proud to be a member of the Women's Institute!"

She announced that the federation had received an Award of Merit citation from the Ontario Farm Safety Association for successful promotion of farm safety.

Changes are coming in 1993 in the operation of Women's Institutes. The federation will become an autonomous organization with a separate office from the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture.

The Erland Lee Home at Stoney Creek (where the idea of Women's Institutes originated) has a new curator, Mary Kneebone. The home is open from May 1 to October 31, Tuesdays to Saturdays each week from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Special WI Days at the Lees will be June 5 and 6.

Conference 1992 will be in Thunder Bay, August 7, 8 and 9. More delegates are needed to participate in this event.

The WI's 100th anniversary will be celebrated June 21 to 28, 1997 at the Toronto Convention Centre. It is expected that more than 10,000 people will be in attendance. Buses will be going from local areas. There will be a special quilt competition to mark the WI centennial.

Further information on what will happen in 1997 may be obtained from Mrs. Ruth Thomas, RR 2 Priceville, Ont.; phone 519-369-2411.

The WI will be participating in this year's International Plowing Match, September 15 to 19 in Victoria County, near Lindsay. Hospitality homes will be available at $10 per night.

Frontenac County Plowing Match will be August 28 and 29 at Branor Farms (Bracken's) near Harrowsmith.

Jane Cunningham, rural organization specialist, urged WI members to accept the challenge of changing times.

Carolyn Lawlor, Kingston Area WI secretary-treasurer, brought greetings on behalf of Elaine Williams, area president. Mrs. Lawlor announced the area convention will be Wednesday, October 21 at Selby in Richmond Township Hall.

Musical entertainment was given by the pupils of Hinchinbrooke School. An added feature was a speech, My Country, by James Cairns. This speech won the J.D. Murphy Trophy in public speaking, intermediate division, in Frontenac County.

Lennox District WI officers for 1992-93 are: Lorraine Martin, past president; Barbara Weese, president; Nancy Bye, first vice-president; Marion Wannamaker, second vice-president; Nina Tucker, secretary-treasurer, Valerie Smith, assistant PR officer, Lois Huyck, program co-ordinator; Anna Hitchins, Tweedsmuir history curator; Phyllis Strain, assistant; Helen Winter, resolutions; Maysil Morgan, Historical Society representative; Frances Pringle, seniors outreach services.

Whig columnist Reg Whitty dies

Whig-Standard agriculture columnist Reg Whitty died last night at the age of 75.

He suffered a heart attack on the family homestead where he had lived all his life, just east of Sydenham.

His closest surviving relative is his wife, Wilma. She was away in Alberta, but Mr. Whitty had invited an old friend, George Henderson, an archivist at Queen's University, for dinner.

After dinner they went out on the lawn to say goodbye and Mr. Whitty collapsed. An ambulance was called, but he was pronounced dead on arrival at hospital. Mrs. Whitty is expected home tonight.

Columnist Bill Fitsell was Mr. Whitty's region editor for a decade.

"Reg had a longer connection with The Whig than any other person," he said last night. "He started writing during the war or shortly after.

"He was a very faithful, loyal and steady person who really created a lot of loyal readers in the agriculture field. He knew everybody in the county. He was so faithful in going to the Women's Institute meetings, for example, that they made him an honorary member two years ago."

Mr. Whitty loved writing. He submitted his columns in well-rounded long-hand that was so legible it would have made his Grade 3 teacher proud.

He was a farmer all his life and still kept hens.

Mr. Fitsell said that at one time Mr. Whitty delivered fresh eggs to city-dwellers in Kingston. "He was known by hundreds of Kingstonians as the Egg Man," he said.

Elwood Orser has lived two farms down from Mr. Whitty all his life. He described him as a good farmer and a good neighbor.

"If there was a function in the community, he was alway a part of it. He knew everybody and everybody knew him."

Mr. Whitty's columns were straight-forward descriptions. They might report on new farm policies or list ploughing match winners; Mr. Whitty did not let his personality intrude in his reports.

But he did appreciate a good joke.

Mr. Fitsell recalls that when prankster photographer Fred Ross was working at The Whig, he was able to get Mr. Whitty involved in one of his gag pictures just as one hunting season was about to begin.

He got Mr. Whitty to let him paint the word "cow" on the side of one of his Holsteins.

Mr. Whitty enjoyed the picture along with everyone else. "And besides," Mr. Fitsell recalls Mr. Whitty saying later with a twinkle, "I got to keep the rest of the can and painted the hen-house."

Deputy-editor Harvey Schachter said: "Reg was always a cheerful presence at the paper. Whatever the climate of the times, he always had a smile on his face when he brought in his copy — generally at an early hour, when farmers and Whig desk editors are hard at work. He was an important link from the newspaper to the countryside, an ambassador of good will from one to the other."

Funeral arrangements are not complete.

OCT. 28/92

Women's institutes face challenges, opportunities

There will be many challenges, opportunities and changes facing women's Institutes in the near future, says Margaret Eberle, president of the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario.

Mrs. Eberle was guest speaker at the 86th annual convention of Kingston Area Women's Institutes in Richmond Township Hall, Selby. Until now, she said, the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture provided office space, equipment, transportation and training courses. The institutes, in turn, provided a grass-roots network of support for agricultural concerns.

Negotiations are under way to continue the partnership on a yearly contract and explore options for mutual benefits.

Mrs. Eberle attended the Associated Country Women of the World Conference in the Hague in June. After a lapse of 50 years members from former Communist countries such as Estonia, Hungary and Poland were present.

After a In Memoriam, conducted by Elaine Williams, in remembrance of deceased members, Wilma Whitty thanked those members who attended the In Memoriam service conducted by Kingston area Women's Institute at the wake of her late husband, Reg Whitty.

The new officers for 1992-93 are: Fredde Clarke, Past President; Elaine Williams, President; Grace Leclaire, 1st Vice President; Connie Harris, 2nd Vice President; Corolyn Lawlor, Secretary Treasurer; Margaret Emmons, Public Relations; Linda Spicer, Program Co-ordinator; Judy Smith, Prov. Board Director; Nina Tucker, Prov. Board Director Alternate; Rowena Raycraft, Resolutions; Maysil Morgan, Tweedsmuir Curator; Valerie Smith, New Branch Organizer; Helen Brown, Auditor; Dorothy Wilson, Auditor.

This article was written by institute member Valerie Smith. It is dedicated to the memory of Reg Whitty, a former rural correspondent for The Whig-Standard and faithful reporter for Women's Institutes.

In Retrospect

§ The following article, 'In Retrospect', was written by Paul Burns on the occasion of the official opening of the addition to the Tamworth Elementary School on Thursday, October 30th, 1975. Burns, a Sheffield farmer, was Reeve of the township and Warden of Lennox and Addington County at that time. §

As the settlers moved into Sheffield, they began to realize the need to educate their children. They built their own schools and hired their own teacher. In many cases the person hired was someone who, because of age or health, was unable to do physical labour. These first schools had a wide plank attached to each side-wall to serve as a long desk. The students sat on benches facing the wall.

According to local legend, the first school in Sheffield was Bell's School, located about half a mile south of our new school. The exact date of its beginning is unknown but would be about 1845, with several other schools such as 'Tamworth', 'Harrison' and 'Ingle' beginning about this time also. The first written records on the establishment of Sheffield's schools are contained in the Minutes of the second Township Council meeting. (Township Councils had just been established by the Baldwin Act in 1849.) At the meeting on February 11, 1850, Council dealt with four petitions, all from the Erinsville area, requesting that school areas be established. Each group of petitioners had the school site chosen and the area to be included in the section. Council approved these four petitions and appointed someone in each section to hold a meeting for the purpose of electing a school board. These original sections were small and during the next few years were enlarged or amalgamated with others.

By 1875 the poorer rural areas of Sheffield had all been settled and sixteen different public schools were operating. A Separate School had been established at Erinsville also and a two room Separate School is still operating in Erinsville today.

By this time, or shortly after, many of the original log schools were replaced. For instance, the first school in Tamworth (present location of Scanlin's house) was replaced with a two room school on Peel Street, opposite the Anglican cemetery. The original Bell's School was replaced with a brick school.

The quality of education in these schools was improving slowly as a few more books and maps became available. Slowly also, the quality of the teachers being hired improved. However, virtually no provision had been made for a secondary education, and only the children of the well-to-do went to school outside Sheffield to attain a secondary education.

Some influential people realized the need for secondary education and they were successful in amalgamating 'Tamworth' (S.S. No. 6) and 'Bell's' (S.S. No. 3) to build the big brick school in 1911. The consolidated School with two rooms was downstairs and the continuation School with two rooms was upstairs. The bell was taken from Bell's school and mounted on top of the new school.

Pupils from the Township, and the outlying areas as well, attended the new Continuation School. They came from Roblin, Marlbank, Arden, Wilkinson and the area between Croydon and Enterprise. They commuted by bicycle or horse drawn rig and from Marlbank by train. If commuting was impossible, they boarded in Tamworth.

A new wing was added to the school in 1924, adding another classroom both upstairs and downstairs, the lower one being large enough to serve as an auditorium. About this time 'Beaver Lake' (S.S. No. 10) joined the Tamworth school area.

During the mid 1930's some of the remaining thirteen public schools began to falter and close. Transportation to Tamworth from the sections that were closing became a problem too. During the period from 1936-1946 transportation was by car or half-ton truck with a wooden van. During several winters the roads remained blocked and transportation was by horses and sleigh with a mounted van. Shorter routes were drawn by horses and van throughout the school term. With better road maintenance, the use of horses was discontinued around 1946 and the 'half-tons' with wooden vans were prohibited after 1948 for safety reasons. With more comfortable buses and much better roads, busing of students today is no longer a major concern.

The number of pupils attending the Consolidated School increased steadily during the post-war years as the remaining rural schools were closed. This necessitated a new, modern addition to the school in 1964.

During this same period of time, particularly after 1955, the Continuation School began to falter. Secondary school education was becoming more sophisticated throughout the province. A variety of courses was making it easier to graduate from bigger schools and teachers could specialize in teaching the subject they knew or liked best. It became increasingly difficult to attract good teachers to a school such as ours where three teachers must teach the entire academic curriculum to five grades. The provincial grant structure was also geared to discourage small secondary schools. Reluctantly, the Township School Board voted to discontinue the Continuation School in June, 1966, and to join the Napanee High School area. At the same time the last one room public school (McGarvey's) was closed and the pupils transported to Tamworth.

Today we accept the fact quite readily that commuting to Napanee is not really a problem and that now almost all students can complete four years of high school and a higher percentage complete Grade 13.

The Ontario Department of Education disbanded all Township School Boards and established larger area boards, effective January 1st, 1969. In the County of Lennox and Addington, we now have only one school board with fourteen members.

The County School Board built several new large schools where small school sections had still existed.

Our school was large enough, but it was out-dated. Its floors, ceilings, rafters and even the washrooms were constructed of wood, making the old brick structure a fire-trap by today's standards. To have modernized it would have been uneconomical and impractical. The Board decided to demolish the old part of the building and blend a new building in with the addition that had been added in 1964.

The resultant new school with its modern classrooms and facilities, spacious auditorium-gymnasium, and pleasing architecture gives us an increased pride in our community.

With nine full-time teachers, two part-time teachers, two full-time teacher aides and a secretary, we seem to have reached the ultimate in elementary education.

For those of us with a feeling of nostalgia for the old brick school, an immortal link with the past has been retained. The old bell, which was transferred from Bell's school to Tamworth Continuation School has been preserved in front of the new school as a working monument. Its familiar ring will continue to be heard throughout the community unchanged by time or progress.

Joy Lloyd named Foster Parent of Year

Anyone who's been a foster parent for 51 years definitely deserves some sort of award.

That's why Joy Lloyd from Erinsville was honoured as Ontario's Foster Parent of the Year last Thursday at the Lennox and Addington Family and Children's Services' 93rd annual meeting.

"It gives you a good feeling," said Joy, who said she has lost count of the number of children she has taken care of.

Joy said she has always liked kids. "My mother used to say 'If you want to find Joy, just find the nearest baby,'" she explained.

Originally from Cornwall, Joy has lived in the area for the past 11 years after having moved here from Toronto. She has been a widow since 1975.

She also has two girls and three boys of her own.

Joy, who has a 15-year-old boy named Danny Milton currently staying with her, said she has no immediate plans of "retiring" as a foster parent.

"I'll keep going as long as I'm healthy enough," she remarked.

In spite of "changing times", and teenagers having "harder feelings" than in past years, she says she feels kids staying with her benefit, even if the stay was not a complete success.

"In the end," she said, "even the ones you lose, they gain something."

Recognition — Jean Morrison, Bill Jonkers and Joy Lloyd were recognized at the annual LAFACS meeting last week.

April 1, 1993

AMALGAMATION

In Sept. 1921 the Tamworth W. I. was organized. It was one branch of the Addington District. Other branches of the district were Denbigh, Cloyne, Reidville, Moscow and Camden East. As years passed some of the branches closed. By Jan. 1993 only three branches - Reidville, Camden East and Tamworth were still active. As of April 1, 1993 Addington District unites with Lennox District to form the L. & A. District.

Memories of Erinsville

Twenty miles north of Napanee
You can travel by road or rail,
Just over the lake from Tamworth,
Close by an Indian trail.

Hemmed in by farms, lakes and woods,
Immune from the city's grind,
A town that makes you feel superb,
With worries left behind.

And here we find just common folks
Who see the best in life,
Not loaded down with stocks and bonds,
They are free from care and strife.

Her people greet you with a smile,
That drives all gloom away;
Changing scenes to greet your eyes,
Throughout the live-long day.

The children swim where the Indian rowed,
In his little birch canoe,
They play "I spy," and pluck wild flowers,
Where the big bears used to chew.

Pitch your tent beside the lake,
And tuck in for the night;
Pleasant dreams will come to you
And mosquitoes will not bite.

The stage coach passed beside this town,
In the days of long ago;
But now the motor sings a song
And fields of alfalfa grow.

Canadian memories linger still,
While the days and months roll by;
Seem to soothe the storms of life,
Like a rainbow in the sky.

The millionaire and professional,
The middle man and the low,
Linked together in brotherhood,
As vacations come and go.

Sweet voices ever come to me,
And familiar faces, too;
Where kindred spirits revelled long,
Beside the lake so blue.

From the USA they come in groups,
The sunburned and the fair;
Canadian friendship is so warm,
They love to tarry there.

Palmetto stands beside the lake,
Her dancing space so fine;
The old and young go there for fun,
When the stars begin to shine.

A sea of autos parked around,
From home and foreign land;
Attest the magic of the spot,
Where you get the welcome hand.

One night the hall was crowded,
And the waltzing at its best,
A signal was given by the leader,
To take a little rest.

Then a pianist's delicate fingers,
Tapped o'er the notes at will,
The dancers broke from partners,
The hall at once was still.

A man stepped on the platform,
From the village choir I'm told;
He'd worked that day in the harvest,
And his face bore a tan of gold.

Picking up the strains of the ballad,
With a voice so soft and sweet,
He carried us off in ecstasy,
Where love is more than meat.

We were thrilled with the beautiful music
From finger tips to toes;
And still I hear those old sweet strains,
Of "My Wild Irish Rose."

The Red Man sleeps beneath the sod,
The stage coach days are spent;
The Indian trail is covered o'er,
With tons of hard cement.

Erinsville I'll dream of you,
On my Pennsylvania cot;
Your fame and splendor will go on
Long after I'm forgot.

By Uncle Josh

Beaver Lake, Erinsville Area Has Many Attractions

Located halfway between 401 and No. 7 via Highway 41 this community will appeal to any tourist, sportsman, or nature lover in either summer or winter.

If you are dreaming of renting a cottage looking out over a beautiful lake where you can relax and enjoy some fishing, then either Beaver Lake or White Lake is ideal. For a family outing the Provincial Park on Highway 41 at Beaver Lake provides free picnic area, a good swimming beach, and a place to launch your boat.

Just north of Erinsville, the Clair River leisurely winds its way westward across Highway 41. This river produces some of the largest Muskies in Eastern Ontario. Ask one of the local pro's about a good spot to try them.

Like to try fishing a series of lakes that are as yet uninhabited by man? Then bring your boat and a half ton truck to Tamworth – seven miles in a northeasterly direction over gravel road and three miles of bouncing over the "Norway Road" and you are at the end of the trail and on the shore of Norway Lake. Bear and McNeil Lakes are accessible by short portage. These lakes offer the largest pike and bass to be found in this area, and offer you a chance to see nature at its finest.

Canada's national anthem

By Donald Jones
Special to The Star

In the spring of 1880, elaborate plans were made for a gigantic festival on the Plains of Abraham in Quebec city. More than 40,000 people were due to attend and, at the climax of the music program, massed bands would play and a huge choir would sing a new patriotic song written especially for the festival.

The day was to become one of the most historic in the history of music in Canada.

For it was on that day, June 24, 1880, that a new national anthem, entitled *Chant National — (O Canada)* was played in public for the first time.

For years, French Canadians had wanted a national song that they could sing. *The Maple Leaf Forever* that everyone in English-speaking Canada was singing had never been popular in Quebec.

With its emphasis on the British General Wolfe, "the conquering hero (planting) firm Britannia's flag on Canada's fair domain," it was doing more to break the country apart than to unite it — and had never been translated into French. What everyone believed was needed was a patriotic song that could be sung by people everywhere in Canada.

In 1880, for the musical climax of a French Canadian national festival in Quebec city, the organizers decided to commission an appropriately "national" song.

A prominent judge in Quebec offered to write the words for this potential national anthem. The music was considered so important that the organizers chose the composer who was being hailed as "one of our national glories" and commissioned the 38-year-old French Canadian, Calixa Lavallée.

CALIXA LAVALLÉE: Composed national anthem.

Immediate success

More than 6,000 copies of *Chant National* with Lavallée featured prominently on the cover were printed in advance of the festival and distributed to the public and all the performers.

And from the day when the song was sung for the very first time, it was an immediate success. By the early 1900s, it had been translated into English and was being sung all across the country.

On Canada Day, July 1, 1980, by a special act of parliament, it was officially proclaimed the National Anthem of Canada. At noon on that day, it was played on every radio station in Canada, in every Canadian airport, on every Air Canada plane and on every Canadian armed forces base overseas. Canadians in every part of the world were invited to join in the singing and it became the greatest and grandest sing-a-long in the history of this country.

The music that had been composed for *O Canada* has always been considered among the most stirring of all national anthems, and the French Canadian who composed it has never been forgotten by the people of Quebec.

Schools and streets have been named after him. The University of Ottawa's Music Building is named after him.

O Canada

O Canada! Our home and native land!
True patriot love in all thy sons command.
With glowing hearts we see thee rise,
The True North, strong and free!
From far and wide, O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.
God keep our land glorious and free!
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

O Canada! Where pines and maples grow,
Great prairies spread and lordly rivers flow,
How dear to us thy broad domain,
From East to Western Sea,
Thou land of hope for all who toil!
Thou True North, strong and free!

(Chorus)

O Canada! Beneath thy shining skies
May stalwart sons and gentle maidens rise,
To keep thee steadfast through the years
From East to Western Sea,
Our own beloved native land!
Our True North, strong and free!

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For thirty-five years, Cora Reid has been a member of the Reidville Women's Institute. She is the Tweedsmuir Curator for the Kingston Area and is the Addington District Secretary-Treasurer. More on Women's Institutes, in this their 90th Year, inside.

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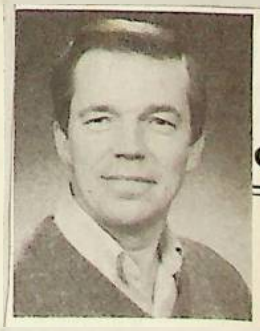

Garfield Youmans

Clergyman truly celebrated life

BY WIN FORTE

The Rev. Harold (Hal) Murray died at his home in Kingston on March 19, 1991, leaving behind his beloved Marian, his wife of 43 years, three sons, Logan, Steven, and David and his wife Beverley, five grandchildren and many, many friends across our Diocese.

The memory that I will carry of Harold is the way he 'celebrated' life. He never just lived it, he truly celebrated it, and sometimes he couldn't understand why others didn't share his enthusiasm. His ministry was one of love and joy and hope. He had a natural, unaffected love for everyone.

One of his parishioners tells of being in the parish hall one morning when a young lady brought her mother who had just arrived from China, to an English as a second language class which was held in the hall. The daughter brought her mother over to introduce her to Harold, who, without hesitation simply walked up to the lady and gave her a warm embracing hug of welcome. The parishioner watched as that lady broke into a beaming smile — could there be any better way to 'welcome.' But that was typical of Harold Murray.

Harold entered the ministry at the age of 38, after working 20 years at Kingston Dredge and Dock, and even toward the end of his ministry, if you listened to him you knew that he never really got over the fact that his Lord had picked him out of there to make him a clergyman, to let him serve Him.

The Church's Swamp Ward Festival was a great time for Harold as he renewed old acquaintances and made new friends, wandering around the church or the yard in the inevitable baseball cap, stopping now and then to help on the hamburger grills or serve cold drinks and occasionally letting out one of his famous yells as he spotted someone across the yard he hadn't seen for awhile. He was a 'Swamp Warder' and proud of having grown up in Kingston's north end. He often looked back with fondness on

REV. HAROLD MURRAY

his youth, speaking lovingly of his brothers and sisters, and frequently saying "we were poor, but we didn't know it."

A large part of his youth was spent involved in sports, particularly baseball which he loved. His brother Allan recalled the efforts Harold put in starting a junior baseball league. It seems baseball diamonds were scarce commodities, and when a group of local youths had nowhere to play, Harold went around to local authorities and badgered them sufficiently until he got permission to use one of the city parks.

It wasn't long before other youngsters from different areas of the city had joined them, and from there the Kingston Baseball Association was formed. He was a good ball player who played for many years, and then went on to umpire, using his love for the game to keep other youngsters playing.

The people of Wolfe Island will no doubt remember the time he spent involved with their children as he coached the Sacred Heart Church League ball and hockey teams during his ministry there.

While he was in Tamworth he continued to coach minor teams, played old Timers hockey and curled until he left there in 1980.

Not willing to stop completely from the sporting scene, he took up golfing which he pursued with his usual enthusiasm right up to last summer. And he remained an active spectator going to ball games and hockey games when he could, or loudly berating officials who penalized his favorite team while he watched the game on T.V., or cheering loudly for a good play. For Harold, a good play was always worthy of joyous praise.

On Good Friday morning, one week after a beautiful service wherein we said our farewells to our friend, the people of St. Paul's Church joined with others from several Kingston parishes, and a few from the Belleville area, to carry a large cross through the streets of Kingston from St. Paul's to the Cathedral. This beautiful service, a reenactment of our Saviour's journey to his crucifixion was initiated here by Harold a few years ago, and it was a fitting memorial to a man who loved life so much, and gave so much to it, but was always ready to go home, to be with the Saviour he loved and knew he would one day meet.

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During his ministry, Harold served at parishes in Tamworth, Wolfe Island, Brockville and Kingston, coming to serve in his last parish, St. Paul's Kingston, in 1983, when we gained not only a dedicated parish priest and spiritual adviser, but a real friend who was much loved and will be missed.

The following poem was written as a testimonial to Hal by his friend and fellow Priest, Len Hands.

"At Home"

At *home* was where he longed to be
When not out at Howes Lake.
At *home* with rich and poor
Pretence Hal did not make.

At *home* the family were around
The children at his side
Marion a jewel
Grandchildren were his pride.

At *home* he shared the eucharist.
The highest joy he felt
was leading a lost soul to Christ
As in the church, they knelt.

At *home*, yes he's at home now
There is a room for each.
Lord make us feel "*at home*"
When we your portals reach.

Amen, L.P.H.

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RECIPES.

—Take cold roast beef, of any kind, slice it, and lay it with gravy peppered, in a meat eat pour a couple of layer of mashed pota- and you have a fine

CODFISH.—One quart ing them ask for a lit- erer the fire, rub up ize of a small egg with ful of flour, stir this in ved, pepper and salt to must let it boil more s oysters must not be n to serve with a cod of salty persons, at first

YEAST.—To make "cara- sugar for colouring gra- f a pound of moist or l saucepan, and put in burn until it has be- own liquid. Then add boiling water and let onge, stirring it occa- sin it a d pour it into a t a y for use at any

TROUBLE.—The white se a specific for fish he throat. It is to be will carry down a bone. There is another fact it will be well to re- a sometimes by accident, is swallowed, the white taken will neutralize the the effect to that of a dose

ROAST BEEF.—Chop the together, and have ready of stewed ripe tomatoes, fine crackers and straw shredding fine the suet or tomatoes and beef mix with salt, pepper and the beef is not very fat; if so, will usually be taken put a layer of the top and bake in until nicely browned on

ASH.—We send ur Tamworth

The Tamworth Echo.

Thos. Wilson Clerk of the Division Court

1st Wife

TAMWORTH, ONT., WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1879.

Timmins

The Turned Lesson.

"I thought I knew it!" she said;
"I thought I had learnt it quite!"
But the gentle teacher shook her head,
With a grave, pat loving light
In the eyes that fell on the upturned face,
As she gave the book
With the mark still set in the self-same place.

"I thought I knew it!" she said;
And a heavy tear fell down
As she turned away with bending head;
Yet not for reproof or frown,
And not for the lessons to learn again,
Or the play-hour lost;
It was something else that gave the pain.

She could not have put it in words.
Not her teacher under-stood,
As God understands the chirp of the birds
In the depth of an autumn wood;
And a quiet touch on the reddening cheek
Was quite enough
No need to question, no need to speak.

Then the gentle voice was heard,
"Now I will try you again."
And the lesson was mastered, every word;
Was it not worth the pain?
Was it not kinder the task to turn
Than to let it pass
As a lost, lost leaf that she did not learn?

Is it not often so,
That we only learn in part,
And the Master's testing-time may show
That it was not quite "by heart?"
To en be given, in his wise and patient grace
The lesson again,
With the mark still set in the self-same place.

Only stay by his side
Till the pace is really known;
It may be we failed because we tried
To learn it all alone.
And now that he would not let us lose
One lesson of love
(For he knows the how), can we refuse!

But oh how could we dream
That we knew it all so well,
Reading so fluently, as we deem,
What we could not even spell!
And oh! how could we prize more more
That patient One
Who taught us each before!

"Well—live and learn, they say. But if I ever gave my vision a name, they were totally unlike all the whoever would think it was our Alice you are talking of, Frank? However, I'll say no realities I had ever seen. The wife of my more about her! You'll have plenty of time fireside reveries was a slight, delicate, gentle to get acquainted with her in the month you creature, with a pure pale face, sweet lips, mean to pass here. And we are glad to see the bluest and clearest of eyes, the softest you, and your bedroom is ready—the one and finest of golden hair, and a voice low you used to like."

I took up my hat, and strolled away to have a look at the farm. By and by I got over the orchard wall, and crossed the brook, and the high road, and went out into the grove behind the house, whose farthest trees were growing on the side of the hill which looked so blue and distant from my chamber window. It was an old favourite place of mine. A broad waggon track led through the woods, out to a clearing on the other side, where was a little sheet of water, called the Fairy's Looking-glass, and a beautiful view of a lovely country, with the steep green hills lying down in the distance, wrapped in a soft fleecy mantle of cloud and haze. I could think of nothing when I stood there, on a fine sunshiny day, but the long gaze of Bunyan's Pilgrim through the shepherd's glass, at the beautiful city towards which he was journeying. And it seemed sometimes as if I could wander "over the hills and far away," and lose myself in one of the fair valleys at the foot of those hills, and be content never to come out and face the weary world any more.

I walked slowly through the woods, with the sunshine falling through the green leaves of the young beeches in checkered radiance on my path, drawing in long breaths of the fresh air, and feeling a tingling in my veins and a glow in my heart, as if the blood were flowing newly there, until I came to the little circular grove of pines and hemlocks that led out upon the Fairy's Looking-glass. Something stirred as I pierced my way through the branches, and I heard a low growl.

A girl was half sitting, half lying, in the

and sang with a voice low and sweet, like the murmurings of an Æolian harp. And she sat by my chair in silence, loving me always, but loving me silently, and her name was Mary. I dare say if I had met the original of this placid picture in life, I should have wooed and won her, and have been utterly miserable.

So as a matter of course, I fell into danger now. When Alice Kent went singing and dancing through the house, leaving every door and window open as she went, I used often to lay down my pen and look after her, and feel as if the sunshine brighter for her being there. When she raced through the grove or orchard with the great dog at her heels, I smiled and patted Fred on the head when she rode past the house at a hard gallop on her grey pony, Fra Diavolo, and leaped him over the garden gate, and struck her whip rapidly in my face, I laid aside my work to admire her riding, and never thought her unwomanly or ungraceful.

We grew to be great friends—like brother and sister, I used to say to myself. How that liking glided gradually into loving, I could not have told. I met her one day in the village street. I turned a corner, and came upon her suddenly. She was walking slowly along, with her dog beside her, and her eyes fixed upon the ground, looking graver and more thoughtful than I had ever seen her before. At sight of me her whole face brightened suddenly; yet she paused me with a slight nod and a smile, and took her way towards home. Seeing the flash of light play over her grave face, and feeling the sudden bound with which my heart sprang up to meet it, I knew what we were to each other.

It was late when I reached home, after a

Morning in Venice.

Little by little business began to take possession of the streets. Bakers' shops and butchers' shops and fish stalls were opened; the din of countless blacksmiths and coppersmiths filled the air at every turn, as though the making of locks and kettles and chimney-pots were the one usurping industry of the world; loud-voiced women called all the people to come and partake of baked pumpkin, fresh and hot; and the melody of mingled street cries grew to a chorus of supplication.

Lately risen maidens lowered baskets from their balconies, and fished up cat-meat, or bread, or onions, or other household supplies, lowered the coppers for payment, gathered their scanty raiment about them, and withdrew. The vendor—we knew him at the opera—pocketed his money, tossed his load on his head, and yelled his noisy way down the alley.

In the Piazza beyond the Rialto, where early activity most centres, I took up a commanding position at an out-of-door table, and ordered my "white coffee" and bread and butter. "What a wonderful place it was for breakfasting—just for once! What pretty but carelessly clad women in black lace head dresses, came from each street and went towards the church; what a clatter the wooden pattens made, and what a gabble the news-boys; what loads of fresh fruit and vegetables the women carried past; how the urchins gambled for sous; how unlike everything was to what we see at home; and how unreal one grows to feel himself in watching it all!

The cheap dealers of the Rialto were taking down their shutters and displaying their low-priced wares. Boys sat on the broad steps munching bread and revelling in the yellow luxury of bread wedges of hot and savory pumpkin. The purveyors of the adjacent quarters were climbing the steps with whole head-loads of grapes, or fish, or

An Extraordinary People.

Commander Cameron's Account of the Most Civilized Race in Central Africa.

(From the London Times.)

At the meeting of the British Association at Sheffield, in August, the well-known African explorer, Commander Cameron, who was received with applause, apologized for not having his paper prepared, but he did not believe, in detailing the manners and customs of the people of Urua, in Central Africa, this would be a drawback. Urua was one of the largest States in Africa. It was bounded on the east by Tanganika, on the north by independent tribes in Manguema, on the west by Uiuda, and on the south by mountains south of the lake of Bangueolo. The great chief was Kasongo, and the race was perhaps the most civilized in Central Africa. The chief claimed divine honours. On his death all his wives save one were slaughtered at the grave, and the one whose life was not taken was handed over to the chief's successor. The spirit of the deceased prince was supposed to pass into the body of the successor. The centre of the religion of the people was an idol, which was held in great reverence.

The idol was placed in the midst of a dense jungle, and it had for wife one of the sisters of the reigning sovereign. Under the principal chiefs were smaller chiefs, who collected and paid over to the sovereign tribute. He had seen this tribute come in, and some of it must have come from distant parts of the country. There was a numerous class of wizards in the country who did a large trade in idols and charms. Many of the wizards were ventriloquists, and in this way the idols were made to give answers to the questions put to them. Caste was very clearly defined in the race. No one dare sit down in the presence of the chief without permission, which was very seldom granted. In one case where, in the traveller's presence, a native had neglected

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And feel that your ruin is coming at last?
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Whether for knowledge, for honor, or gain,
You're fast wearing out your body and brain,
Till nature no longer can bear the strain,
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The human is weak since old Adam's fall,
Beware how you yield to appetite's call,
"Be temperate in all things," was practiced by Paul;
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Ah! a terrible thing is human life!
Its track with many a danger is rife;
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TO THE REV. GEORGE CICOLARI,

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RECIPES.

—Take cold roast beef, of any kind, slice it, and lay it with gravy peppered, in a meat pot pour a couple of layer of mashed pota- and you have a fine

CODFISH.—One quart ing them ask for a lit- over the fire, rub up ins of a small egg with ful of flour, stir this in ved, pepper and salt to must let it boil more a oysters must not be to serve with a cod of salty codfish, at first

VIES.—To make "rare- ge" for colouring gra- of a pound of moist or sausages, and put in burn until it has be- own liquid. Then add boiling water and let orge," stirring it occa- sion it and pour it into a it as ay for use at any

TROUBLE.—The white be a specific for fish he throat. It is to be will carry down a bone. There is another fact it will be well to re- sometimes by accident, is swallowed, the whites aken will neutralise the the effect to that of a dose

ROAST BEEF.—Chop the together, and have ready d sliced lips tomatoes, fire crackers and dice ing fish; mix and stir ingredients and beef un- with salt, pepper and beef is not very fat; ry, which will usually be ...ther put a layer of ...the top and bake in until nicely browned on

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TAMWORTH, ONT., WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1879.

The Turned Lesson.

"I thought I knew it!" she said;
"I thought I had learnt it quite!"
But the gentle teacher shook her head,
With a grave, yet loving light
In the eyes that fell on the upturned face,
As she gave the book
With the mark still set in the self-same place.

"I thought I knew it," she said;
And a heavy tear fell down
As she turned away with bending head;
Yet not for reproof or frown,
And not for the lesson to learn again,
Or the play-hour lost;
It was something else that gave the pain.

She could not have put it in words.
But her teacher understood,
As God understands the chirp of the bird's
In the depth of an autumn wood;
And a quiet touch on the reddening cheek
Was quite enough;
No need to question, no need to speak.

Then the gentle voice was heard,
"Now I will try you again,"
And the lesson was minded, every word;
Was it not worth the pain?
Was it not kinder the task to turn
Than to let it pass
As a lost, lost leaf that she did not learn?

Is it not often so,
That the Master's testing-time may show
That it was not quite "by heart?"
To en he gives, in his wise and patient grace
The lesson again,
With the mark still set in the self-same place.

Only step by his side
Till the pace be really known;
It may be we failed because we tried
To learn it all alone,
And now that he would not let us lose
One lesson of love
(For he knows the how), can we refuse!

But I oh how could we dream
That we knew it all so well,
Reading so fluently, as we deem,
What we could not even spell!
And oh! how could we grieve once more
That patient One
... took before!

"Well—live and learn, they say. But whoever would think it was our Alice you are talking of, Frank! However, I'll say no more about her! You'll have plenty of time to get acquainted with her in the month you mean to pass here. And we are glad to see you, and your bedroom is ready—the one you used to like."

I took up my hat, and strolled away to have a look at the farm. By and by I got over the orchard wall, and crossed the brook, and the high road, and went out into the grove behind the house, whose farthest trees were growing on the side of the hill which looked so blue and distant from my chamber window. It was an old favourite place of mine. A broad waggon track led through the woods, out to a clearing on the other side, where was a little sheet of water, called the Fairy's Looking-glass, and a beautiful view of a lovely country, with the steep green hills lying down in the distance, wrapped in a soft fleecy mantle of cloud and haze. I could think of nothing when I stood there, on a fine sunshiny day, but the long gaze of Bunyan's Pilgrim through the shepherd's glass, at the beautiful city towards which he was journeying. And it seemed sometimes as if I could wander "over the hills and far away" and lose myself in one of the fair valleys at the foot of those hills, and be content never to come out and face the weary world any more.

I walked slowly through the woods, with the sunshine falling through the green leaves of the young beeches in checkered radiance on my path, drawing in long breaths of the fresh air, and feeling a tingling in my veins and a glow at my heart, as if the blood were flowing newly there, until I came to the little circular grove of pines and hemlocks that let out upon the Fairy's Looking-glass. Something stirred as I pierced my way through the branches, and I heard a low growl.

A girl was half sitting, half lying, in the [illegible] throwing

Morning in Venice.

Little by little business began to take possession of the streets. Bakers' shops and butchers' shops and fish stalls were opened; the din of countless blacksmiths and coppersmiths filled the air at every turn, as though the making of locks and kettles and chimney-pots were the one unsurping industry of the world; loud-voiced women called all the people to come and partake of baked pumpkin, fresh and hot; and the melody of mingled street cries grew to a chorus of supplication.

Lately risen maidens lowered baskets from their balconies, and fished up cat-meat, or bread, or onions, or other household supplies, lowered the coppers for payment, gathered their scanty raiment about them, and withdrew. The vendor—we knew him at the opera—pocketed his money, tossed his load on his head, and yelled his noisy way down the alley.

In the Piazza beyond the Rialto, where early activity most centres, I took up a commanding position at an out-of-door table, and ordered my "white coffee" and bread and butter. What a wonderful place it was for breakfasting—just for once! What pretty bare-ankled girls, with coloured handkerchiefs, came from each street and went towards the church; what a clatter the wooden pattens made, and what a gabble the news-boys; what loads of fresh fruit and vegetables the women carried past; how the urchins grabbled for "addi"; how unlike everything was to what we see at home; and how unreal one grows to feel himself in watching it all!

The cheap dealers of the Rialto were taking down their shutters and displaying their low-priced wares. Boys sat on the broad steps munching bread and revelling in the yellow luxury of broad wedges of hot and savory pumpkin. The purveyors of the adjacent quarters were climbing the steps with whole head-loads of grapes, or fish, or [illegible] the hand-rail, filling the traveller's presence, a native had neglected

An Extraordinary People.

Commander Cameron's Account of the Most Civilized Race in Central Africa.

(From the London Times.)

At the meeting of the British Association at Sheffield, in August, the well-known African explorer, Commander Cameron, who was received with applause, apologized for not having his paper prepared, but he did not believe, in detailing the manners and customs of the people of Urua, in Central Africa, this would be a drawback. Urua was one of the largest States in Africa. It was bounded on the east by Tanganika, on the north by independent tribes in Manguems, on the west by Uiundu, and on the south by mountains south of the lake of Banguelo. The great chief was Kasongo, and the race was perhaps the most civilized in Central Africa. The chief claimed divine honours. On his death all his wives save one were slaughtered at the grave, and the one whose life was not taken was handed over to the chief's successor. The spirit of the deceased prince was supposed to pass into the body of the successor. The centre of the religion of the people was an idol, which was held in great reverence.

The idol was placed in the midst of a dense jungle, and it had for wife one of the sisters of the reigning sovereign. Under the principal chiefs were smaller chiefs, who collected and paid over to the sovereign tribute. He had seen this tribute come in, and some of it must have come from distant parts of the country. There was a numerous class of wizards in the country who did a large trade in idols and charms. Many of the wizards were ventriloquists, and in this way the idols were made to give answers to the questions put to them. Caste was very clearly defined in the race. No one dare sit down in the presence of the chief without permission, which was very seldom granted. In one case where, in the

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Merry Christmas

MAY ALL THE DAYS OF ALL THE YEARS THAT GOD HAS STILL IN STORE
BE FILLED WITH EVERY JOY AND TO BLESS YOU MORE AND MORE;
MAY HOPE OF HEART AND PEACE OF MIND BESIDE YOU EVER STAY,
AND THAT'S THE GOLDEN WISH WE HAVE FOR ALL OF YOU, THIS CHRISTMAS DAY.

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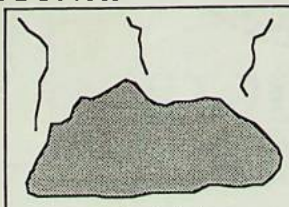
SETTLERS SCOUR COUNTRYSIDE!!

1850's Lennox and Addington

With miles of white pines in the way of building their farms, our pioneering ancestors quickly discovered a market for burned wood. Mother England said she would take all the trees (masts for ships), and potash (which was useful for making soap), that our virgin country could send.

The land was denuded, water could no longer be restrained by the thin soil, and the Spring Runoff was something to see.

However, the rest of the year the Salmon River became a mere memory of its former vigour.



A typical pile of potash

The last logging run when Rathburn of Deseronto had finished clearing our everything that the settlers had missed , was in 1907.

SALMON IN THE SALMON?

Despite rumours to the contrary, experts have concluded that at no time were there spawning salmon above the great cataract at Forest Mills

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GHOSTS SEEN IN TAMWORTH!

Tamworth, England. According to legend, two ghosts are said to haunt Tamworth Castle. The "White Lady" is the ghost of the mistress of Sir Tarquin who saw him slain by Lancelot de Lake. The "Black Lady" is the ghost of a nun who appeared to Roger de Marmion. He had expelled a group of nuns from the convent of St. Editha at Polesworth which was part of his estate. Legend states that one night St. Editha appeared to Marmion in a dream, smote him on the head with her crozier, and promised him a horrible death if he did not allow the nuns to return to their convent. Apparently his wounds didn't heal until the nuns were safely back in Polesworth.

Tamworth Castle near Birmingham England

CARDBOARD PHYSICIANS

A greeting card with a personal note is like a robin singing to a sick soul

LETTERS FROM PAUL

GERALD WALTON PAUL

I'm standing at the greeting card counter looking for a special card for a special person. Her husband, a fellow birdwatcher, dropped dead while unloading his half-ton at a village dump. As I search for appropriate category, design, and message, thinking of the healing impact of greeting cards I seem to see before me row upon row of cardboard physicians.

My mother used to count her Christmas cards like Methodists count their blessings. The size of her pile of paper pick-me-ups affected her sense of well-being. "I didn't hear from Jim and Elsie," always had an ominous ring. It was as though she herself was losing ground as the number of cards coming in began to fall behind the number of cards sent out.

A card costs but a dollar plus thirty-five cents for a stamp. Although cards cost OHIP nothing, they do more than their share of healing. In a day when house calls by flesh and blood physicians are as scarce as hen's teeth, cardboard physicians, visit our homes — sick rooms and party rooms — without even being called.

You may have noticed the importance hospital patients attach to the cardboard community of support. Get-well and thinking-of-you cards are arranged on patients' bedside tables with the care of devoted curators. Collectively the cards form personal portrait galleries reminding patients of the healing network of loved ones praying for their speedy recovery.

To reinforce this sense of community, when visiting the sick I often pick up a card from the table, read the message aloud, and add the name of the sender.

After I've had a few cards, a patient usually perks up. Thinking of other caring people in his or her religious community, liberates the patient from the prison of self-centredness which often descends on the hospitalized.

In most homes, you'll find cards standing on dining room tables, pinned on bulletin boards, and stuck with floral magnets of refrigerator doors. So important are these cards to most of us that it would hardly be heretical to refer to them collectively as the communion of saints.

A card without a personal note is like non-prescription medicine: It may do some good for most people, but not a whole lot for anybody. A personalized get-well card is like a robin singing to a sick soul: Lightening the burden by sharing the load, a note on a card from a friend brings cheer-ups indoors — and in all seasons.

In Bible times one's friends usualy lived nearby, and personal visits were convenient next door affairs. Today, when our loved ones are scattered over great distance, a greeting card takes the place of a visit. The message the cardboard physician delivers is clear: Somebody out there cares.

Cards are courteous callers. Unlike other visitors who come at their own convenience, cards make no immediate demands on their recipients. Often sick people don't feel like real live visitors. The timing may be wrong. Your "thought I'd surprise you by dropping in," may be, for the patient, more of a set back than a gain.

When a card arrives by mail there is no knock, buzz or ring demanding immediate response. Cards can be opened and read at times suitable to recipients. Unlike the much touted telephone, paper guests slipping gently into our lives permit host or hostess to decide when and where to entertain their callers. Cards also stay around just as long as we want them to stay — no longer. And they never desert us when we need them most.

Today's textured reproductions of lace replace yesterday's antique lace cards. But the messages haven't changed. The major themes are love and concern, friendship and sympathy. Occasions for cardboard physicians include birthdays, feast days, and holidays; sick days, death days, and anniversaries; departure days, trip days, and arrival days. Cards like doctors are categorized as humorous, conventional, informal, inspirational, sensitivity, studio, and religion. New lines run from "Congratulations you've got your drivers licence" to "Keep up the good work on your diet."

While there are cards for good times and cards hoping for better times, cards for persistent bad times and for failures are not for sale. There are no cards for a parent with a missing kid, for a woman who's been raped, for a student who isn't graduating, for a worker who's been fired, for a wife whose husband is serving time. Nor are there cards for the emotionally ill, for thousands who fail in business and love, for those addicted to tobacco, alcohol, or worse.

Cardboard physicians who visited me after a hunting accident carried messages such as the cautious "Thinking of you," the impatient "Hurry and get well," the safe wish "Hope you're feeling better," and the strong affirmative "We're happy you'll be well soon."

Almost all the cardboard physicians brought flowers. While pictures of poppies, mums, pansies, and daffodils were not uncommon, roses and daisies were most popular. Although the accident took place in November, most cards had spring or summer scenes of budding or blooming, rather than autumn or winter scenes of fading and dying. Those who knew me well brought cardboards birds — a mallard, but cardinals, and a dozen or more bluebirds. You may never see a live bluebird, but if you're sick you'll likely have one pay you a visit on the wings of a get-well greeting card.

One of the most helpful visits came to me after the accident in the form of a home-made card. On the outside were the crayoned words "Get Well Mr. Paul. We love you." Inside was a rough sketch of a church and the moving message "We want you at the Church. Love Amanda." A very little girl indeed from the Sunday School's Kindergarten. But the good cardboard physician she sent to my house helped to heal me.

A woman elbows me at the "Sympathy" card rack, and I'm back to my task of finding a card for my dead friend's wife. I select one with a dove, and paying for it, head home to write a personal note to accompany my cardboard physician making a house call.

PERSONALITIES

Tamworth real estate firm is now twenty years old

A Tamworth real estate firm, Storring & Co. Ltd., Realtor, is now twenty years old, having been incorporated in March, 1972 by it's founder, the late Jerry Storring.

Horace M. Storring, who went by the nickname Jerry, got his start in real estate in 1958 when he started as a salesman for Frizzell Real Estate in Napanee. His wife Agnes also was a licenced salesperson and the two of them worked out of an office in the back of her antique shop which was located where the real estate office is now.

In March of 1970 Jerry started on his own as H.M. Storring Real Estate Broker, but that name ceased to exist two years later when the company was incorporated under the new name.

Today the company is run by one of Jerry's eight children, son Robert. Robert's wife Gwynne and his mother both work part-time in the office as receptionist-secretaries.

Robert got his salesman's licence in 1973 and began managing the company in the late '70s when Jerry had open-heart surgery. After he recovered Jerry came back and was involved with the company until his death in December, 1990. He was 74 when he died of a heart attack.

BORN AT TAMWORTH

Jerry Storring was born at Tamworth and his parents were Curtis Storring and Edith Marlin. His father at one time ran an ice cream parlor and store in the village and later sold and repaired sewing machines and also had a shoe store and shoe repair shop.

Jerry left Tamworth in the early 1930's and travelled all over North America in search of work. He settled in northern Ontario where he met his wife, Agnes Paddon, from New Liskeard.

Jerry Storring

They had four sons and four daughters, all born in northern Ontario before they moved to Tamworth in 1953.

Jerry worked in the construction business for many years and was one of the first people to go to Gander to build the airport there just before World War II. During the war he enlisted and was a flight engineer on a Lancaster bomber. The war ended just before he was ready to go overseas.

He was a general superintendent for the McFarland Construction Company in the 1950's and one of the jobs he worked on was the expansion of the Churchill, Manitoba airport.

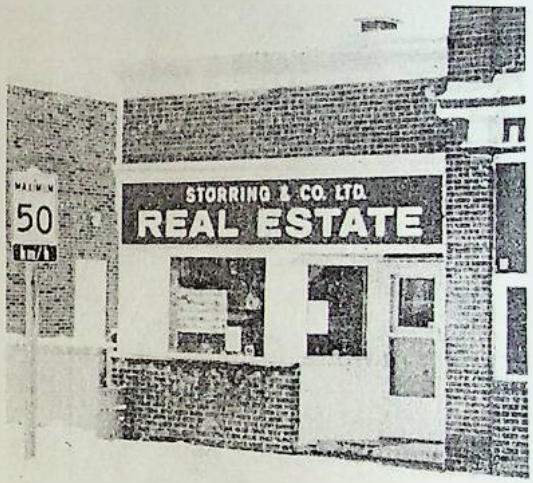
In 1958 he went to work for the Foundation Construction Company, which was one of the three largest in the world. While with that company he worked on the Red River Spillway in Manitoba and the Pinepoint Railway in the Northwest Territories.

Other jobs which Jerry worked on were the building of the Alaska highway, the 401 and the St. Lawrence Seaway. On the latter job he was involved in the moving of the town of Iroquois.

A COLOURFUL LIFE

Robert told The Bantam recently that his father "led a very interesting, colourful life. He worked hard, played hard." He said because Jerry was in construction and travelled a lot he was tired of being away and so he got into real estate at home. Storring Real Estate "was really a retirement business."

"He was a real ambassador for Tamworth" said Robert. If you were looking for a property "he would have sold you on Tamworth before you left the office. It really didn't matter if you bought from him so long as you moved here and supported the area. Dad was really good at it."



The Storring office on Tamworth's main street.

SMALL FAMILY BUSINESS

Robert is a regional vice-president with the Ontario Real Estate Association and is a past president of the Kingston Real Estate Association. He has three salespeople working for the company, in Arden, Dacre and Deep River.

He says Storring Real Estate is "a small family business and we survive because we give good service."

Robert Storring

22 Dec. 1992

Father and daughter receive commemorative medals

Milligan an honest political battler

By JACK RAFTER May 27, 1993
Whig-Standard Staff Writer

Clarence Milligan was an honest battler in the political arena and a man gifted in business, recalls former Lennox and Addington County warden Ernie Marshall.

Mr. Milligan, who was Progressive Conservative Member of Parliament for Prince Edward Lennox federal riding from 1957 to 1962, died at Napanee hospital on Tuesday at the age of 89.

"He was a good friend on mine," said Mr. Marshall. "We had lots of arguments in our time, but he was always fair and always fought for what he believed in. He was as great a man as the county has produced and had a great mind for business."

Mr. Milligan was born and raised near Tamworth, where he attended both elementary and high school. He and his first wife Annie (Gilmour) had six children, all of whom survive him. They are Rowena Raycraft of Napanee, Albert of Newburgh Road, Helen Brown of Enterprise, Dan of Napanee, Elaine Whitty of Moscow and Adam of Napanee.

Mr. Milligan is also survived by a brother, Roy, of Napanee and a sister, Vera McLaughlin, of Tamworth. He was predeceased by his first wife and a brother, Claude.

The former MP was elected to the Commons in the 1957 general election and returned in the overwhelming Diefenbaker sweep of 1958. He had served several years on Napanee town council, becoming warden of Lennox and Addington in 1951.

He was defeated for the Tory nomination by Douglas Alkenbrack in 1962 and later returned to Napanee council, where he served until the early 1980s.

He also served as grand master of the Sheffield Masonic lodge; was director of the Ontario Hog Producers' Co-op; belonged to various other agricultural organizations; and was president of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture. In the latter post, he was chosen to join deputy agriculture minister Everett Biggs to represent Canada at the 1953 Coronation of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth. During the same trip, he was granted an audience with Pope Pius XII.

The Ontario Federation of Agriculture paid him a special tribute in 1986, inducting him into the Agricultural Hall of Fame.

"He really was a man of the earth, of the land," said his wife Ethel. "He was a man who loved his fellow man, but whose first love seemed to be the soil. he worked so hard so long at it and loved his livestock too."

Clarence A. Milligan and his daughter, Rowena Raycraft. Both received commemorative medals last Wednesday evening.

Like father, like daughter.

That's the best was to describe Clarence Milligan and his daughter Rowena Raycraft, both recipients of commemorative medals, marking the 125th anniversary of the Confederation of Canada.

Mr. Milligan and Mrs. Raycraft were joined by 38 recipients of the commemorative medal from Hastings-Frontenac-Lennox and Addington in a special ceremony last Wednesday evening at the Jean Johnson Hall in Napanee.

On behalf of the Right Honourable Ramon John Hnatyshyn, Governor General of Canada and Her Majesty the Queen, MP Bill Vankoughnet presented the medals to the 40 recipients.

Earlier this year, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth approved the striking of this medal to recognize and honour persons who have a made a significant contribution to their fellow citizens, community or Canada.

And both Mr. Milligan and daughter fit the bill.

Mr. Milligan has well-charted community commitment. Back in the 50's, he was Hastings-Frontenac-Lennox and Addington MP. He also served as warden of the county and spent a number of years in municipal politics.

Mr. Milligan has also been inducted into the Ontario Agriculture Hall of Fame and he has been a member of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture for 50 years.

Agriculture is still a part of Mr. Milligan's life at his present age of 88. He still has beef cattle and sheep that he tends to.

Mr. Milligan was also the founding director of Napanee Co-op and was the first president for the local affiliation. He is also a director with Canadian Federation of Agriculture.

Daughter Rowena Raycraft was a teacher at N.D.S.S. for 22 years and could be seen in the gym often, coaching various athletic teams.

Today, Mrs. Raycraft is actively involved in the Women's Institute. She is also very active in the recycling project.

Service organizations, legions and private individuals in Hastings-Frontenac-Lennox and Addington nominated persons who they though were most deserving of this prestigious award and who warranted recognition for their lifetime of contributions to Canada during this year of Canada's 125th birthday.

MILLIGAN, Clarence Adam
(Former MP)

Peacefully at Lennox and Addington County General Hospital, on Tuesday, May 25, 1993, Clarence Adam Milligan, in his 90th year, beloved husband of Ethel Field, dear father of Rowena and husband Bill Raycraft, Albert and wife Mildred, Helen and husband Ray Brown, Danny and wife Betty Adam, Elaine and husband Nick Whitty, lovingly remembered by 14 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren, brother of Roy, Vera McLaughlin and the late Claude. Resting at the Wannamaker-Tierney Funeral Home, Napanee for service in the chapel on Friday, May 28, at 11 a.m. Reverend Weldon Johnston officiating. Interment Tamworth United Church Cemetery. Friends will be received Wednesday, 7-9, Thursday 2-4 and 7-9. Donations to the charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family.

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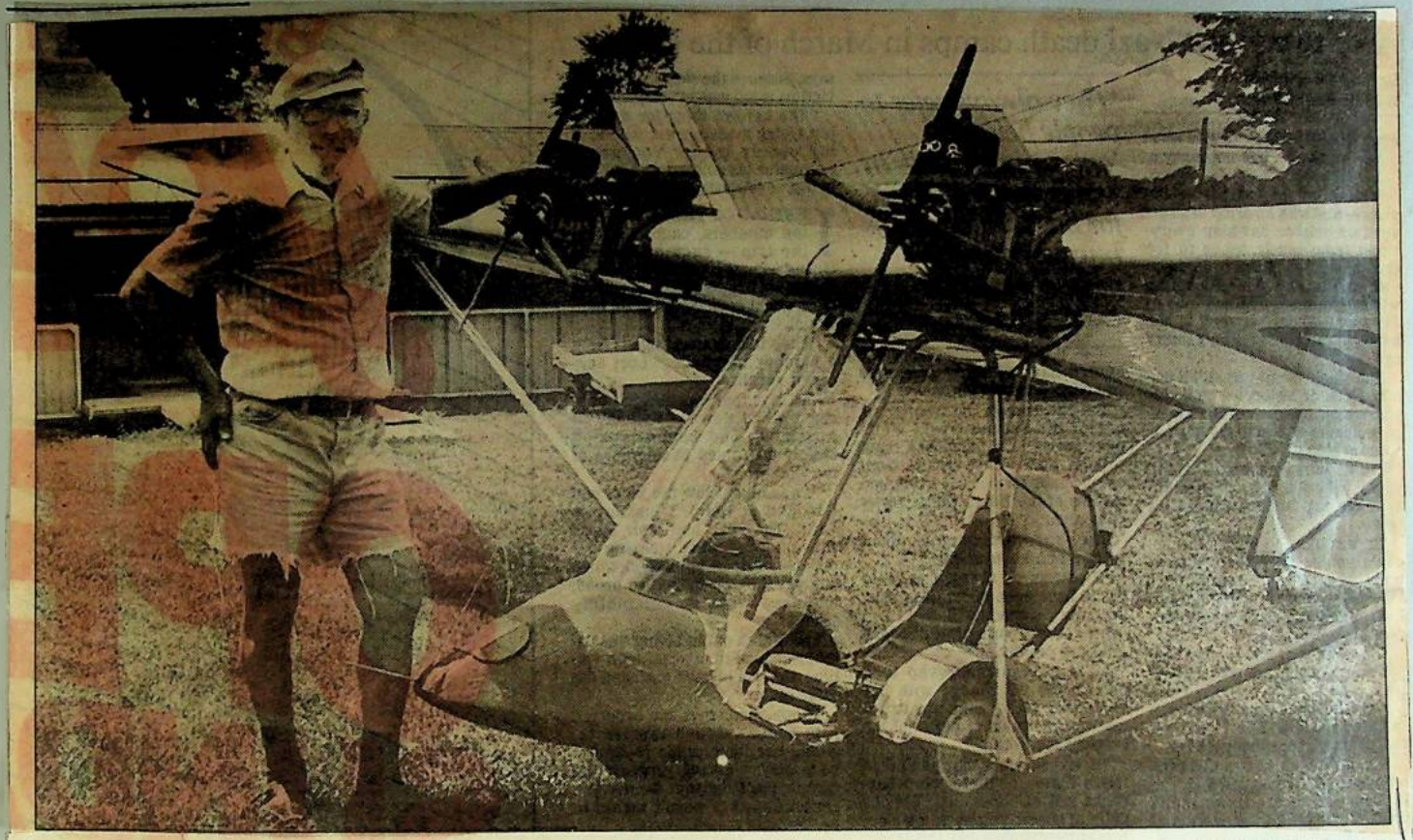
1992 Reno Cerone



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Reno Cerone with his two feet — and two engines — planted firmly on the ground

The flying golfer of Tamworth

By JACK RAFTER
Whig-Standard Staff Writer
TAMWORTH

When 71-year-old retired construction worker Reno Cerone sets out for a game of golf, he goes in grand style.

A member of the Rivendell club near Verona, he makes the 20-mile trip in the Lazair ultralight aircraft he keeps parked in the garage outside his home. He has ingeniously customized the garage doors to accommodate the 36-foot wing span of his 225-pound flying machine.

"I go by air and my friend Don Rombough goes by car because it's a single-seater plane," he says. "I land it on the sixth fairway, park it in a safe place out there and Don comes out to get me with a golf cart, and away we go to the first tee."

Sometimes, when he goes alone, Rivendell club staff will come out to his fairway "landing pad" and pick him up.

"I think I must be unique," says Mr. Cerone, who came to Canada from his native Italy in 1957. "I must be the only guy who goes to the golf course by airplane."

His retirement six years ago signalled a new and perhaps even more active life for the affable Mr. Cerone. He had been flying ultralights for a few years, but he wanted to go a step further.

He signed up for flying lessons for a standard pilot's licence, earning it in 1986. He has been flying rented Cessnas and Pipers ever since, as well as his own ultralight.

He'll flit off to Tweed or Amherst Island if the spirit moves him, or drop in on Gananoque to enjoy the regular parachuting demonstrations. The cruising speed of the craft is about 60 km-h — leisurely, to say the least. It lands and takes off at as low as 30 km-h.

"It's not speed I'm after. I just enjoy sitting there and watching the scenery. You can look down and see this fellow over here maybe going off to milk the cows. Or, when it's very clear, take a look at Napanee over here or Kingston over there."

His ultralight gives him plenty of mileage at reasonable cost. He can keep the plane in the air for an hour on 1.2 gallons of fuel. That's far below the cost of piloting a Cessna for an hour from Belleville airport which runs about $69.

He has had to make several emergency landings in the plane, but none ever entailed real danger. Ultralights can be glided safely to earth should power fail, he said.

He makes the point by drawing a diagonal line in the air with his finger. One angle traces the path of the downward flight when just one motor has conked out. A steeper angle is the result when both engines quit, but the outcome is still a happy landing.

The cheerful senior has established his own private airfield on relatively flat land behind his home, where he has mowed two 900-foot-long landing strips. The site has become known around town as Reno International Airport, a designation that gives him a big chuckle.

Actually, Mr. Cerone has combined both of his main passions, flying and golf, by also carving out a slick, par-3-sized 150-yard golf fairway in the same area.

It almost overlaps one of his landing strips, with the result that he has both facilities literally in his back yard. A 28-handicapper, he practises his iron shots there and challenges a visiting reporter to a couple of holes just for the fun of it.

Then he sends his trusty Labrador retrievers, Spud and Sheba, to fetch the balls.

"They're pretty good at getting them, but not on a really hot day," he laughs.

"I just didn't want my retirement to mean that I would be stagnating."

That is definitely not going to happen. On days when he isn't off to the Rivendale links, he busies himself with another major project: construction of a 30-by-13-foot pontoon houseboat.

With cozy carpeting throughout, the boat is now virtually completed and moored on a 2.5-acre piece of waterfront he owns along the Salmon River north of town.

A couple of Mr. Cerone's noted artist friends, Maureen Swan and sculptor and Order of Canada recipient Henry Saxe, have made important contributions to the vessel.

Mr. Saxe worked on the framing and welding and Mrs. Swan did the painting. She added a comic touch to the stern that evokes another chuckle from the owner. The boat, christened Lamariposa, is neatly identified as having been built at the "Reno Shipyards, Tamworth."

Rod Dawson-Beaver correspondent
Runner

Faye Pawlik

Sheffield Township is proud to claim a world class distance runner, Faye Pawlik of Tamworth.

A distance runner cannot enter every competition but must enter enough to keep her edge. Faye participated successfully in enough contests to become eligible for the Boston Marathon on April 18, 1988. The day arrived and Faye completed the course successfully in the rain.

Sylvia Hawkins — an active director

Sylvia Hawkins, Activity Director of The Village Green Nursing Home in Selby, is just that — extremely active.

Mrs. Hawkins is responsible for keeping the 66 residents of the Village Green active, and entertained.

On any given day, you could find her organizing a picnic, working out with seniors at Fun and Fitness, or up to her neck in water!

And now Mrs. Hawkins has added a bowling program at the Loyalist Lanes Bowling Centre in Napanee to her long list of activities.

Sylvia is responsible for all programs and activities at the nursing home, and has been with The Village Green since it opened 15 years ago.

"I arrange everything from bible study programs, to Old Tyme fiddlers concerts," she said.

"We have church services, picnics, wheel chair dances, boat cruises, fun and fitness, games nights — you name it, we have it!"

In addition, Mrs. Hawkins regularly takes residents to the Ongwanada Therapeutic Pool in Kingston.

"We have a wonderful time," she explained. "The pool is wheel chair accessible, and the shallow end is only ankle deep."

Volunteers play a big part in making Mrs. Hawkins programs work.

"The volunteers are wonderful," she said. "Many of our outings are one on one, meaning for every resident, there is another person, usually a volunteer, along to lend a hand. They play a very important role."

Jean Fox, a regular and active volunteer, is president of The Village Green's VOICE, Volunteer Organization In Care Of the Elderly.

"We have a good core group of volunteers," she explained, "but we can always use more."

On Friday, April 23, The Village Green held their Volunteers' Social.

"It's our chance to thank our volunteers for all they do, all year long," explained Mrs. Hawkins. Entertainment was provided by the Old Tyme Fiddlers from Kingston.

If you have some time to spare and would like to help out at The Village Green, please call Sylvia Hawkins at 388-2693.

Harold Hartman, Sylvia Hawkins, Jennifer Needham and Toni Anderson enjoy the Village Green Nursing Home's outing to the Loyalist Lanes in Napanee.

HILLCREST DAIRY

Over the years Tamworth has been able to boast of a wide variety of businesses within the community. One of them was a dairy, run by the Huffman family, although it has been gone for over twenty-three years.

The Bantam recently spoke with Bill Huffman to get the history of the dairy. Bill's porents, Mr. & Mrs. Edward Huffman, were in the dairy business back in the 1920's and today Bill and his wife live in the big brick house in Tamworth that his parents built.

The Huffman's owned their farm in the hamlet of Tamworth, the house and barn were located just to the north of the Tamworth Elementary School, and they had dairy cows and they peddled the raw milk in the community and surrounding area.

During the years that Edward ran the business he called it Huffman's Dairy. But when he turned it over to son Bill in the late 1940's, Bill changed the name to Hillcrest Dairy.

Bill's parents built the house in about 1921 and they had a milk house, ice house and barn on the hill behind it. Prior to building the house they lived just south of Tamworth.

"They had it pretty well set up" said Bill. "They did all their bottling with a machine, but it was all hand operated. It was all glass bottles."

Bill said they milked from 25 to 30 cows and didn't get a milking machine until about 1940. Was it hard work milking that many cows by hand? Well Bill thought so. "I well remember it" he said. "I was old enough to milk."

Edward Huffman took his milk door to door in Tamworth and Erinsville, always using horses to make his deliveries. In the winter he used a sleigh which was equipped with sideboards to hold the milk cartons.

When Edward finished bottling enough milk for his customers, he took the rest of the milk from his cows to the cheese factory. "I can remember taking maybe a half a 30-gallon can up to the cheese factory" said Bill.

The building in which Edward Huffman carried on his dairy business was attached to the house and was about thirty feet square. He gutted it out

Bill Huffman

and put a cold room in, drains, cement floors and so on just before turning the operation over to his sons. Bill took over the dairy and Don got the farm. What was formerly the dairy is now a nice garage on Bill's house.

Shortly after taking over the dairy Bill bought a truck to make his deliveries with and bring milk from area farms. In later years he had two trucks carrying the milk.

He also bought a pasteurizer in about 1948. That heated the milk to a certain temperature and held it there for a prescribed period of time to destroy the bacteria in the milk. He later purchased a homogenizer through which the milk would pass under pressure to break down all the fats so there would be no cream line on the milk. He also aquired a clarifier which would take out any thick milk. He bought a new pasteurizer that was all stainless steel, inside and out, about three years before he sold out.

Bill didn't separate the cream from the milk usually. "The only thing I took cream out of was milk I used for chocolate milk, because you couldn't have very much cream in chocolate milk" he said. He sold a lot of chocolate milk.

And the chocolate milk was good in those days, wasn't it. "Oh was it ever" said Bill. "They still talk about it. Not Henry Allen, Vimy York and Harold Longwell in Marlbank, and Angus Reavie in Westplain. Gaffney's Garage in Tamworth also sold Bill's chocolate milk.

The milk was sold in glass bottles until sometime in the 1950's and then the milk sold in the stores was put in one-quart paper cartons. Bill bought a machine to handle the paper cartons.

When Bill operated the dairy he was licenced and he was given an area by the milk control board in which only he could work. He went as far south as Roblindale and west to Marlbank. When it became apparent that the milk board was going to do away with the areas and throw it wide open Bill realized that he "just wasn't large enough to stay with it. Rosebay (Dairy in Napanee) sold out to Wilmot's in Kingston the year before I did. And so I could s the writing on the wall" he said.

Bill sold Hillcrest Da to Wilmot's in February of 1966

Tamworth class of 1934

It's just half a century now since this picture was taken Dec. 18, 1934 at the Tamworth Continuation School, says Eva Brown, who was in this picture and brought it to The Beaver the other day. Have a look, your grandpa or grandma may be here: (back row) Borden Milligan, Jack Asselstine, Harry Thompson, Dick Jordan, Scott Gilmore, Bob Kirkpatrick, Wilfred Courneyea, Fraser Howes, Doug Marlin, Kenneth Stinson, Manley Meeks, John Hopkins, Vimy York; (2nd row) Mr. Herbert (principal), Ashell Beckwith, Forbes Bar, Edon Richmond, Lorne Kirk, Benny Donahue, Donald Hunt, Gerald McLaughlin, Hubert Turkington, Tom Hopkins, Wilfred Tuepah, Victor Rathwell, Sam Richmond, Donald Beckwith, Joe McDonald, Miss Alice Babcock (teacher); (3rd row) Franklin Barker, Adrian McCormick, Lorne York, Franklin Carrol, Bruce Richardson, Gertie Gilmore, Muriel Hunt, Dorothy Tucker, Margaret Ore, Eileen Murphy, Helen York, Dorothy Rogers, Mildred Schoolcraft, Vera McKeown, Eva York, Susie Brown; (4th row) Mr. H.J. Miller (teacher), Don Black, William Huffman, Mac Carscallen, Lila Rogers, Marguerite McDonald, Nancy Ore, Margaret Jordan, Kathleen Teskey, Alexandria Gilmour, Doreen Stinson, Lorna Young, Doris Stinson, Leona Huffman, Jean Wagar, Evelyn Courneyea; (5th row) Doris Schoolcraft, Pauline Bradshaw, Helen Allen, Kathleen Card, Grace Stinson, Freda Wagar, Rita Donahue, Nora Healey, Madelyn Tucker, Rita Steele, Helen Marshall, Doris Chapin, Berenice McGuire.

71 students

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69-year-old Carroll Paul retires after 32-year stint driving buses

By Jim Sarazin
Staff Reporter

It's retirement time for Carroll Paul.

A time, which will enable him to travel about the country.

But each time he steps behind the wheel, it will be hard for him not to reflect upon the years which led up to his retirement.

In fact, the steering wheel will be a constant reminder of his school bus driving days which commenced in the early 1940's, a time when he clutched a pair of reins in his hands.

Taking over the route from his father Ross, Carl or Mr. Paul as he was called by the students, first travelled to the Tamworth Continuation School literally on horse power.

Actually it was dual horse power and the soon-to-be 69-year-old retiree said he covered a school route of about seven miles in those days.

"I'd get up about five or so in the morning and feed the horses some hay and grain," said Paul.

He would head out north of Tamworth for the first pickup of 14 students.

Trotting along with about seven students on each side of the cart, Paul would have the gang there just prior to the ring of the school bell.

"Back then, it was first book, second book, and so on," explained Paul. "Now, they go by grades."

Just recently, Paul was honored for 27 years behind the wheel and another five years handling the reins.

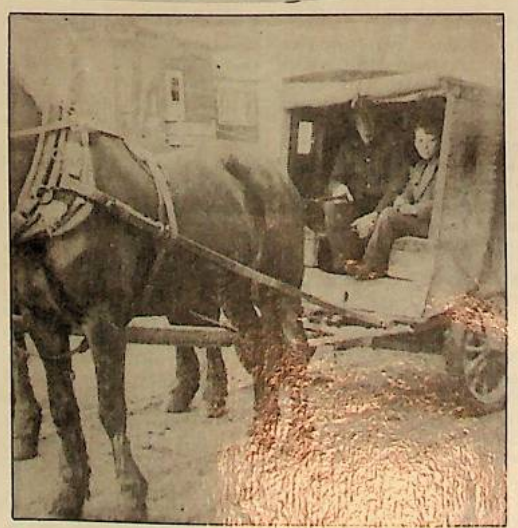
It was just after the war when his days with the horse and cart came to an abrupt end.

"I was making $45 a month and they said at the time it was costing too much money," stated Paul.

When they introduced the bus system, Paul spent more time on the farm but returned to driving the bus about 1965.

"I drove for Wagar Coach Lines, Richmond School Coach, Carscallen Bus Service, C. C. Brown Bus Service, the Lennox and Addington Board of Education and Pixley Bus Lines.

He had special thanks for Fred Pixley for the presentation of a lovely plaque at the planned get together recently in Napanee. Paul also thanked the Tamworth Public School staff for a framed sketch of the former Tamworth Continuation School, which he also attended.



Carroll Paul and his first bus.

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Irish Tamworth farm girl reaches 90th year

By Rod Dawson
North county correspondent

Born in Portrush, Northern Ireland back on April 5, 1897, Jean Adair from Tamworth twice celebrated her 90th birthday. The first party was with her daughter Mary and the second celebration came when she returned to the Meadowview Seniors' Apartments in Tamworth.

Adair was the youngest of eight children and the last survivor of her brothers and sisters. She was born on her mother's birthday and her mother's 23rd wedding anniversary.

(Dawson photo)

90 at Tamworth

Jean Adair recently celebrated her 90th birthday at the Meadowview Apartments in Tamworth. Adair is the most senior resident in the building.

Jean met husband Reg when he was a handsome young Canadian soldier in the First World War. They corresponded after the war and it was decided whe should sail to Canada and they would become man and wife.

Arriving alone on May 2, 1921, much to the dismay of her parents, Jean and Reg were married in St. George's Church in Oshawa.

Her new father-in-law worked in Oshawa, hence the wedding location, but the bride and groom moved to the Adair farm near Tamworth. Farming was new experience for both of them, although the farm has been in the Adair family since 1843.

Reg was in banking before going overseas and Jean knew nothing about farming. They learned the hard way.

The couple had four children. The first born died in an accident when he was only two years old. The second, Alex now 63, lives in Windsor.

Daughter Mary, 58, lives in Aurora where most of the family gathered for the 90th birthday party. Son Tom, 42, lives on the family homestead near Tamworth.

Jean has six granchildren and three great-grandchildren, with another due shortly. She has been widowed for about 10 years now, but still owns the 200-acre family farm leased out to the Smith brothers.

She is reluctant to consider selling the farm, as it includes the family burial ground.

Still able to take care of her own place, Adair has had home care help a couple of times after illness. The help was invaluable and enabled her to remain independent as she hopes to be for some time yet.

Kind neighbors and friends help her with shopping and other trips as she does find it difficult to get about. Kay Allen and Cora Reid both help her with shopping as does Dorothy Bell when she is in town.

A regular church attender, Jean Adair is driven there by Kay Allen.

She rembers well the trouble her mother-in-law Margaret Adair had in going to church in her later years. Margaret Adair died just short of 100-years-old and lived with Jean in her final years.

Having trouble getting up and down and kneeling to pray, Margaret was reluctant to attend church. When told she could just sit here and people would understand, Margaret, in her late 90's responded, "I can't do that! People will think I'm old."

It was Mable Hayes, the building security tenant who alerted us to Jean Adair's birthday. Without that it would be difficult to know Jean Adair, a gracious, fit and lovely lady, has now joined that select group of people over 90 and on their way to 100.

ADAIR, Jean — At the Lennox And Addington County General Hospital, Napanee, on Thursday, January 18, 1990, Martha Jane Adams of Tamworth, in her 93rd year, beloved wife of the late Reg Adair, dear mother of Alex, Port Hope; Mary (Mrs. Ray Cousins) Aurora; Thomas, Tamworth; and the late Jack Adair, also remembered by six grandchildren and five great grandchildren. The family will receive friends at the Hannah Funeral Home, Tamworth on Sunday 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Service at Christ Church, Tamworth on Monday, January 22 at 1 p.m. Rev. C. Bells officiating. Interment Christ Church Cemetery, Tamworth.

Founder a native of Forest Mills

Richmond's School Coach in business for 40 years

Forty years ago a young Tamworth man founded a bus company when he bought a silngle school bus and started driving it on a route in Tyendinaga township. The man was Claude Richmond and the company was Richmond's School Coach Ltd., which is still in existence, but now has about sixty buses.

The company that Claude Richmond started with that one vehicle, has since 1951 operated almost exclusively in Hastings county (it has two runs outside Hastings) and has an office in Belleville, as well as a four-bay garage and parking for the buses.

Claude, who grew up on a farm at Forest Mills, passed away earlier this year and today his son Vaughn operates the company. Vaughn actually managed the company for several years and bought it from his father in 1986.

Vaughn told The Bantam recently that his father was working full-time with the buses by about 1953. "I think he had three or four buses by then. Of course he didn't have a lot of buses, but times were hard, buses were old, and it took a lot of hours I guess just to maintain the few he had."

Claude Richmond

Vaughn Richmond

"I've had about 18 years of it myself" said Vaughn. He started as a driver for his father and shortly after was managing the company.

Like his father, he commutes back and forth between Tamworth and Belleville every day. "I'm a native of this place (Tamworth)" he said.

The firm now has about 65 employees, seven working full-time. But Vaughn has no immediate plans for enlarging the company. "With this kind of economy you kind of try to hold your own as best you can, because the boards aren't trying to grow much as far as additional transportation, things are slow."

Richmond's also do public vehicle work, but Vaughn says "we're not big in it. Our main bread and butter is the (school) bus."

Before he started as a school bus operator Claude Richmond was in the lumber business with his brother Fred.

1. Mrs. M. Richmond, mother of Claude and Fred K.
2. Milton Young of Westplain delivered bread daily from Napanee to store.

Haggerty's General Store

Picture donated by Doris Milligan

Poet's Corner

The Old Country Kitchen

I remember the old country kitchen,
Those long ago, far away days;
The sights, and the sounds, and the magic,
I remember the old country ways.
The kitchen was cozy, but roomy,
For the work to be done needed space;
And even on days that were gloomy,
It was nice just to be in that place.

The table was huge, and was covered
With a tablecloth flowered and gay,
And a leaf could be added, if need be,
Whenever someone came to stay.
The old cook stove stood in the corner,
With its ebony top polished bright;
From which came delicious aromas
From morning right through until night.

In summer time, all hands were busy;
Even Grandma found something to do,
And the pickles, and jams, and the jellies
From the country assembly line flew.
These freezers we have now are handy,
And useful, and less work, I know,
But they don't give us much satisfaction
As seeing full jars, in a row.

When Christmas time came, it was something!
You could say, the highlight of the year;
The planning and work started early,
I can see it all now, oh, so clear.
The cake was prepared two months early,
And stored in a box made of tin;
It took a full evening to mix it,
And prepare all the fruits that went in.

Then, for hours, the smell of the baking,
Filled the house, every cranny and nook;
And icing it, when it was finished,
Was an art never learned from a book.
Then, came Christmas, the fruits of the labor
Were relished, and exclaimed at anew,
And always, that table was crowded,
For that was a family that grew.

A family that lived, to the fullest,
The days, and the weeks, and the years;
It just seemed that the smiles and the laughter
Outweighed all the troubles and tears.
Life then flowed along free and easy,
Or perhaps it just seemed so, to me;
But that dear, fragrant, old country kitchen
Is a dear, fragrant, sweet memory.

By EDNA M. WILKINSON

It's Back in Style Again!

A lot of you folks remember
Just a few short years ago
That old wood stove was cast aside
Or to the junkman it did go.
The price of fuel has got so high
It's back in style once more
We see those piles of wood again
Beside the kitchen door.

There were no oil or electric stoves
Back sixty years ago
That old wood stove it did the job
When the cold winds did blow.
It kept us warm and cooked our meals
And no money did we pay
We cut the wood in winter
And drew it up on the sleigh.

That's how we made a living
In those old days gone by
We'd cut wood all the winter
And pile it up to dry.
We'd haul that wood off to town
With the team and old bobsleigh
Some times maybe fifteen miles
And it took us all the day.

To-day they use a power saw
To cut that stove wood down
Pile that wood onto a truck
And haul it off to town,
But the wood is not as plentiful
And the price of stoves are high
It's going to cost us money
No matter what we try.

We see those wood stoves on display
In every hardware store
Something that we haven't seen
For thirty years or more.
The electric and the oil stoves
Are much handier I know,
All you do is press a button
And the heat begins to flow.

If the prices, they keep going up,
There is one thing sure I know
We'll have to go to living
Like we did back years ago.
It's going to be a tough job
To slow the people down
They are used to having good times
With lot of money around.

Paddy Whalen

Sandra Cowan nominated for lamp of learning award

OSSTF President Lynn Racher has announced that Lennox and Addington District 52 has nominated Dr. Sandra Cowan for the 1992 Ontario Secondary School Teachers Federation Provincial Lamp of Learning Award. This prestigious award is presented annually to a person who has made outstanding contribution to secondary education in Ontario, but is not herself a member of the teaching profession. The judging panel consists of representatives of leading Ontario educational, business and cultural organizations.

Dr. Cowan is a general practitioner who has practiced family medicine in Tamworth since 1976. She has been chairperson (1984-89) of the Lennox and Addington Child Abuse Prevention Committee which brought together various health and social service professionals with police and concerned citizens to provide public education about child sexual abuse. She has made numerous presentations to the Board of Education concerning the need for the development of personal safety curriculum in the schools.

When the curriculum was prepared she became instrumental in its implementation by giving freely of her time. She also has run workshops for teachers and parents, providing them with encouragement, expertise and education.

As Chairperson (1989 - present) of the Public Education Subcommittee of the Lennox and Addington Domestic Assault Committee, she has also initiated the writing of curriculum about family violence and violence in dating relationships, thus building on the personal safety curriculum already in place.

Dr. Cowan has organized the presentation of several popular theatre events for the high school, including one on date rape and another on domestic assault.

In her medical practice, Dr. Cowan works closely with families and children where child sexual abuse has occurred. She counsels adult survivors of child abuse and women who are victims of wife assault. She is presently founding a group of volunteers who will provide informal community support for those in need of emotional support. She continues to provide education to health practitioners around abuse issues. Dr. Cowan sees education as essential if the cycle of violence within families is to be broken.

District 52 OSSTF feels she is a committed, energetic and seemingly tireless person in her advocacy for a healthier community; her efforts have helped to bring our county to the forefront of prevention through education.

OSSTF's nomination of Dr. Cowan for the award is endorsed by Director of Education Willis Boston, who says in his letter of support that Dr. Cowan "has been a leader in both the county and the region in educating the public about the need to break the cycle of violence within families."

"An Appointment with Death"

The award winning husband and wife film team of John Zaritsky and Virginia Storring from Erinsville, have once again come up with a bullet force documentary that is sure to rouse controversy and stir much conversation.

Entitled "An Appointment with Death', this two-hour film will be shown on TVOntario next Wednesday, March 17, beginning at 8 p.m. It has also been sold to show on the American PBS Network from Boston, on March 23.

Zaritsky and Storring are a film making duo that cannot be ignored. They take challenging subjects and lay them out in a rapier sharp fashion that cuts right to the bone of human suffering and human courage.

"An Appointment with Death" promises to be no less vital than their previous award winning documentary, "Only Another Missing Child."

Zaritsky and Storring spent six months in Holland gathering information, studying and filming the topic of euthanasia. There are complex ethical questions surrounding euthanasia and these questions are explored in a series of deeply moving personal accounts. Doctors in the Netherlands have been practising euthanasia openly for 20 years.

Fancy debates from the luxury of great philosophical mountains carry no weight for those on the battlefield. Our supreme court judges and parliamentarians would be well advised to take time away from their high stations and try to understand what it is really like in the trenches of this battle.

Footnote: Virginia Storring is the daughter of Agnes and the late Jerry Storring of Tamworth. Their business, Storring Real Estate in Tamworth, is now operated by Virginia's brother, Robert.

Picture story by Rod Dawson

Award winner

Virgina Storring and husband John Zaritsky have produced a compelling television documentary on arthritis that may well match his 1983 Academy Award winning program *Just another missing kid*. They gave a private showing for the Beaver in their Erinsville hom e.

Tamworth Academy Award winner stars local lady

By Rod Dawson
North county correspondent

John and Virginia (Ginni) Zaritsky — who call both Erinsville and Toronto home — have co-produced a very moving documentary on arthritis that has all the earmarks of his 1983 Academy Award winner *Just Another Missing Kid*.

Narrated by Gordon Pinsent with the original musical score written by Michael Conway Baker, their 90-minute documentary entitled *I'll Get There Somehow* will be broadcast on CBC Television on Sunday, Jan. 20, at 9:30 pm.

Arthritis does not have the publicity, image and research funds of concerns like cancer and heart. But that may begin to change with this new Zaritsky documentary.

The impact of arthritis may well be astounding to those who consider it a minor aggravation sometimes encountered by old age.

Age is a factor, however. You have a 90 per cent chance of getting arthritis by age 60.

But arthritis is neither a minor disease nor is it limited to old age.

In a private showing for The Beaver, John and Ginni Zaritsky provided an opportunity for readers to get an advance briefing on what may well prove to be another Academy Award.

It is a personal film. Personal because it was suggested and inspired by John's wife Virginia Storring who suffers from a mild form of arthritis.

The film took almost three years to produce. Once word leaked out the Zaritsky's were doing a film on arthritis they were constantly running into CBC cameramen, soundmen, technicians and others who had arthritis or had someone in their family with arthritis.

"It was a tremendous eye opener," said John.

"There was this invisible mass of people who lived among us or worked with us and who had this terrible disease. None of us really noticed or understood what they were going through."

The County of Lennox and Addington probably has a disproportionate number of people with arthritis. This film should prove most interesting and informative to those with arthritis and those who have friends or family who are victims.

Betty Wheeler of Tamworth, along with her Doctor Sandra Cowan, are featured in the third patient set of the documentary film *I'll Get There Somehow.*

Betty Wheeler suffers from osteo arthritis, the kind most of us will get to some degree if we live long enough.

This is a very personal and poignant intrusion into the private life of one who is suffering intensely — one who knows the suffering can only increase as time goes by — one who is living a life where it is hard to remember what life is like without pain.

"I can stand pain better than I can stand sympathy," said Betty Wheeler.

This obvious intrusion into the personal life and private thoughts of this courageous woman helps to illuminate the struggles of the 3½ million Canadians who have arthritis.

In 1977 Betty felt like she had been born again when she had a stainless steel hip implanted. It enabled her to walk again without pain.

In just two years the pain from her left knee was intolerable. Arthritis had taken away the protective tissues.

It was bone rubbing against bone, with bone chips in between. Surgery helped until Christmas 1980 when she slipped on some ice and damaged her hip.

Later examination showed the damaged hip could not be repaired.

"With so many things I can do," said Wheeler, "why make myself miserable for things I can't do."

Her words *I'll get there somehow* became the title of the documentary.

Jean Stawarz and Gary Farmer beside photovoltaic panel

By JACK CHIANG
Whig-Standard Staff Writer
TAMWORTH

FROM THE OUTSIDE, the two-storey house belonging to Jean Stawarz and Gary Farmer looks no different from other homes in the rural area.

But one does not have to be observant to notice the eight panels of glass mounted on their front lawn, about 40 feet in front of their house.

These are solar, or photovoltaic, panels, which generate enough electricity to run most of the household appliances for Ms. Stawarz and Mr. Farmer.

"We have a TV, a VCR, power tools and other typical household things," says Ms. Stawarz.

Ms. Stawarz says she and her husband bought the farmhouse a few years ago, when they moved to the area from Toronto. At that time, the house, which was built about 100 years ago, was not in good shape.

"When we bought it, there was no hydro or plumbing in the house. The nearest hydro lines were two miles away. We called hydro for a quote [to run the lines to their house] and they said it would cost $70,000. They would have to put poles in ... to blast the rocks. So we started looking at other ways to power the house."

What they settled on, obviously, is solar power.

"We didn't know anything about [solar energy], so we bought a book on solar, asked anybody who knew anything," says Ms. Stawarz. "We bought the panels and had them up and running in a few months. We figured it as we went along."

THEIR SYSTEM includes eight solar panels mounted on an adjustable metal frame. Right now, they're angled at about 45 degrees, facing south. They're wired to eight batteries in the basement. Each battery stores 60 watts.

The batteries give them DC, or direct current, power. Since most household appliances run on alternating current, or AC, the power supply has to be changed with the help of an inverter.

Right now, the solar panels are mounted on the ground. But Mr. Farmer and Ms. Stawarz say they plan to build a garage and put the panels on its roof. The inverter, the batteries and other accessories are in their basement now, but they too will eventually be moved to this garage.

'We would like more power during the winter. But there was never a day when we were without electricity'

They say the panels have been generating enough electricity for their needs, except once during last winter, when there were 12 days in a row with only about one hour of sunlight a day. Then, they had to use a propane-powered generator to generate electricity. And some propane heaters, such as one in the bathroom, provide backup heat when necessary.

"We would like more power during the winter," Ms. Stawarz says. "But there was never a day when we were without electricity."

THEY USE A woodstove to heat the house. In the kitchen, they have a propane-powered refrigerator and cook with a combination wood and propane stove.

"We spent less than $300 on propane last year," Ms. Stawarz says.

To guard against long periods without much sunlight, Mr. Farmer says he is building a wind generator to generate additional electricity.

Their solar energy system cost them about $7,000, but Ms. Stawarz says it's worth the money in the long run.

"A lot of people say they can't justify the $7,000 on the solar system. It will be five, six years before you can see the return on your investment. But, for us, it's almost silly not to make the investment. We don't get hydro bills.

"And the sun always shines."

Mr. Farmer says they had a hard time convincing the bank to approve a mortgage because if they defaulted, the bank would have a difficult time selling a house without hydro electricity.

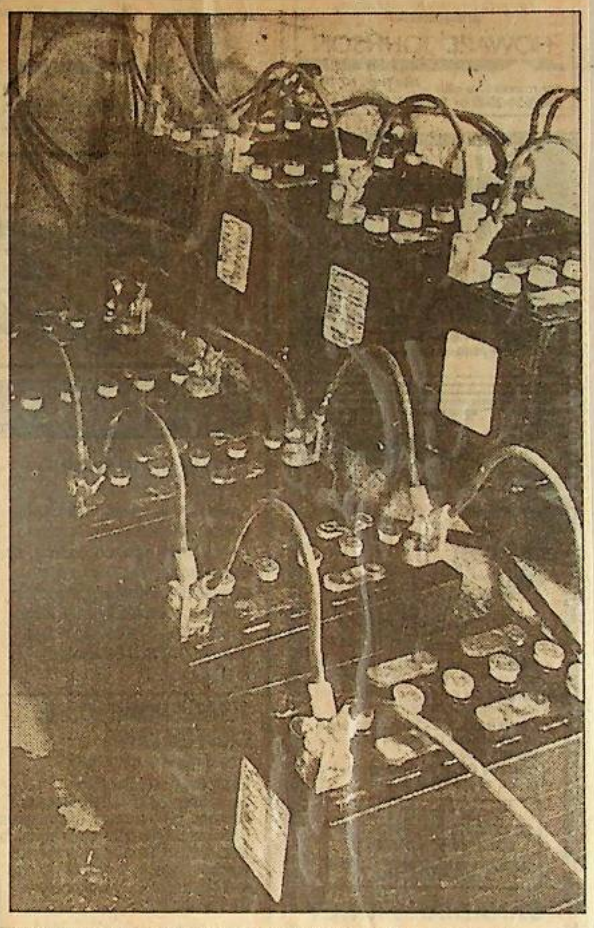
But now that the system is in place, there is no turning back.

"We want to live in harmony with the environment. But it's hard," he says. "We still use gas to drive our cars. We still go to Toronto. One day, we hope we will totally pull the plug."

They both are so proud of their solar power that they want to show other people about it, to raise their awareness. On Sunday, August 9, they will have an open house between 1 and 5 p.m.

AN ELECTRIC vehicle, a delivery van, which they have borrowed from the University of Ottawa, will also be on display.

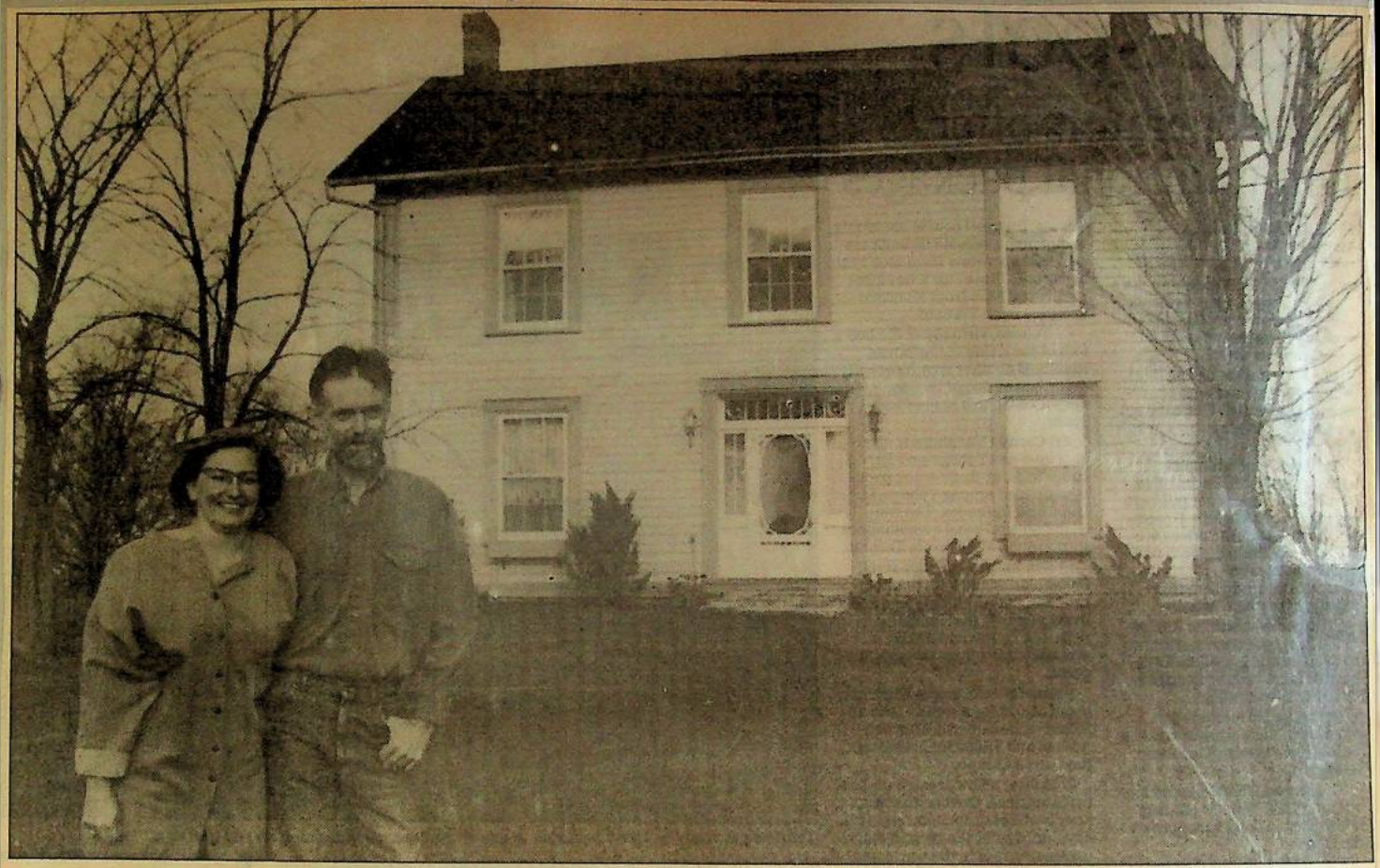
To go to their house from Kingston, take Highway 38 to Parham. At the T junction at Parham, turn left and go about 20.5 kilometres. Their house is on the south side of the road between Parham and Tamworth. It's a two-storey house with green roof and green trim.



An eight-battery array stores electricity from the solar panels

Jean Stawarz checks the inverter, which changes DC to AC power

An 1830's Home is Restored



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Margaret and Brian Cameron stand outside their 'home on the top of the hill' near Erinsville

By ALAN CAPON
Whig-Standard Staff Writer

ERINSVILLE

THE IMPRESSIVE clapboard house standing on a slight rise just north of this tiny hamlet in Sheffield Township, is known locally as "the home on the top of the hill."

The owners, Brian and Margaret Cameron, have lived there for the past six years. They have continued the meticulous restoration that Bob Fisher began in 1974. Mr. Fisher's restoration of the old Stone House on Highway 38 near Kingston has been much praised.

The Erinsville house, which now sits on one acre of land was once part of a neighboring farm. Crown deeds show the original owner, in 1823, was Sam M. Benson and that the house was built between that time and the late 1830s.

It was owned briefly by the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation in 1889. Not far from the house is the Roman Catholic Church of the Assumption and St. Patrick's School.

The serene and spacious house, with its many large windows, has a fine staircase in the entrance hall and a rear staircase leading from an upstairs bedroom directly down to the kitchen. The rear staircase was once probably used by servants.

There is wide, thick plank flooring throughout most of the house, with 15-inch baseboards and original moldings — fluted corner moldings and window moldings on the exterior. The classic windows are of the six-pane-over-six-pane design and the house has its original square-sheet Maple Leaf tin roof.

The kitchen, with its massive hand-hewn beams and eight doors, is straight out of Better Homes and Gardens. In the centre is an island countertop with two sinks in a superb old general-store counter that has a strong fluted base. There is a woodstove in the corner with brick hearth and woodbox.

Other rooms in the house have simple but attractive early fireplaces and the living room has a magnificent plaster ceiling medallion. One bedroom reveals attractive post-and-beam construction.

The handsome doorway has the original spun glass bull's eyes in the transom and sidelights. In the wide hall an original plaster arch with decorative moldings frames the main entrance stairway.

"We bought the house in 1987 and we have continued the renovation begun by Mr. Fisher and it is now pretty well completed," Mr. Cameron said. "The house is restored inside and out although work still needs to be done on the drive shed at the rear of the house."

The house has all modern conveniences and it has separate oil and wood furnaces. With more than 3,000 square feet, it has 11 rooms, three bathrooms and a spacious basement. Another basement area Mr. Cameron has considered turning into a separate wine cellar. The limestone foundations are about two-and-a-half feet thick.

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Group of eight paint at Sheffield Lake

Sheffield Lake north of Tamworth may not be the Mecca of the art world, but for eight women from across the country, it does just fine.

From August 1 to August 8, these eight artists used the undisturbed location to create an optimal setting both for solitary work and for exchanging ideas.

"It's incredible," said Helen Davies, an artist from Coquitlam, B.C., "because you're talking with other artists."

"We're together all the time, and I think it's the perfect way to do it. This the best workshop I've ever been in before," she continued.

Darlene Hay, a Saskatoon artist, agreed this kind of art workshop is ideal.

"This is a nice sized group," she said. "And there isn't as much pressure as there is at other workshops."

Split up between four cottages, two women would occupy each cottage.

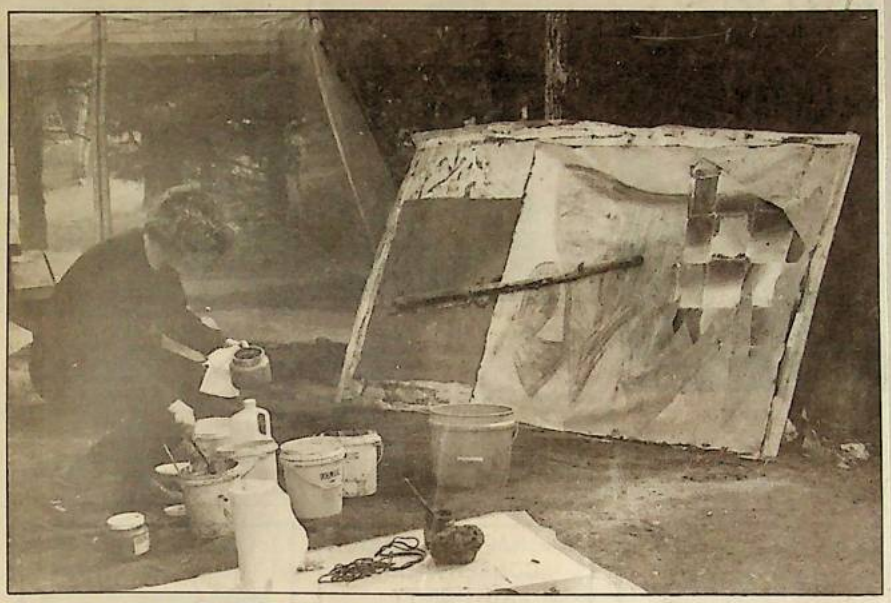
Every evening, the group gathered in one of the four cottages in the private campground, where the occupants put on a slide show, with 40 to 80 art slides, displaying a variety of past work.

"The slides show what we've been doing as artists," said Yvonne Lammerich from Montreal.

Toby Graser of Fredericton, N.B. said she felt improved as an artist by attending the workshop.

"You have to push yourself to learn," she commented, "but it adds to your 'vocabulary'. It's very different from a teaching situation at other workshops."

"I hope it will be an annual event," said organizer Milly Ristvedt of Tamworth. "There's obviously a need for it."



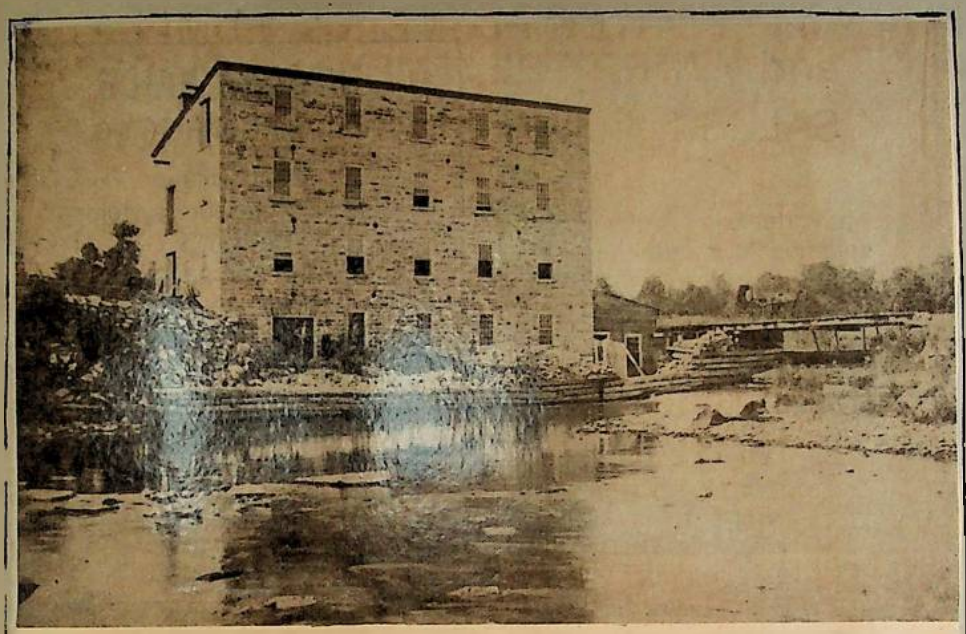
Mixing paints on Sheffield Lake.

Michael Jiggins-Beaver Staff

The eight women artists at last week's Sheffield Lake '93 are, standing: Marilyn Brandon, Joy Walker, Jerry Grey, Milly Ristvedt and Kate Graham. In the front row are: Alison Brannen, Michele Drouin and Yvonne Lammerich.

LOOKING BACK—

1883



Pictured above is the woollen mill built by Richard Jones in 1883, a half mile north of Tamworth, on the west bank of the Salmon River. It was used as a linen mill during the First World War and after that was used as a pottery for a short time. Following that it was idle for a few years until it was torn down in the 1930's. Nothing remains of the mill today and there is no public access to the site where it stood.

Richard Jones also built a house near the mill and it still stands on Jones Street and today is the home of Steve Handerek and his wife Milly Ristvedt.

Jones, who was born in Wales, died in 1886.

The picture was loaned to The Bantam by Jim Hughes of Centreville.

1826

Prior to 1826 some twelve families had moved into the Township of Sheffield, but no children had been born.

On December the 19th. 1826, William McCorkindale Sheffield Bell Huffman was born to U.E. loyalist parents, and was the first white child to be born in the Township, and was named Sheffield because of that fact.

This child was born on Lot 1 Consession 6 and is buried on the lot where he was born.

Wm. Huffman's son, Joseph →

Joseph Huffman died Dec. 4, 1947

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Here's History

Recollections paint a vivid picture of railroad

We have been getting a number of letters from former students of the old Newburgh academy, since a request was made for reminiscences about it to be included in a book scheduled for future publication.

A fascinating account came in from Hazel Waldie, whose husband was one time public school teacher and principal there.

She enclosed notes made by the late Ford Fenwick, long time operator of a garage in Newburgh, who first attended the Academy in 1928.

Some of Ford's stories were well-known, others were not.

They all make fascinating reading for they deal not with curricula and teachers but with the daily struggles of travel from Enterprise to Newburgh in the 1920's.

They read in part:

"First year, went by train until spring. Then by car until cold weather. Started on train again. Caught train at 7:15, arrived at Newburgh 8:30. Caught return train at 4:30. Spent an hour and a quarter at Yarker waiting for through trains to and from Ottawa to meet there and exchange mail, express and passengers. Arrived home around 8:00. After supper, study by coal oil lamp in upstairs hall, which was warmer than my bedroom. Second year, drove car again in warm weather. Took as passengers, Pauline Dillon, George Lockwood, Pat O'Donoghue and usually Lorraine (L. Alkenbrack who would eventually become my wife.) Every night throughout the summer, I had to feed and milk four cows by hand, clean the stable and turn the cream separator. There was no hydro at night."

"The third year we went by diesel train. this was an experimental unit made in Scotland consisting of two joined cars powered by an eight cylinder 350 h.p. engine. Because of the sound of its whistle, we called it "the bull of the woods." This was later replaced with a smaller faster unit with a six cylinder engine. It was okay for normal use, but we sometimes returned to older steam locomotives in heavy snow, or when more cars had to be moved. The train crews got to be very friendly with us students, and let us ride in the engines and sometimes operate them."

"In Yarker, the train crew would often open the switches and let one of us drive the locomotive onto the siding. Sometimes we rode in the cab and drove the main line as well. One time when I was at the throttle during a thunder storm, I saw lightening hit the rails in front of the engine, a scary sight."

Ford's recollections paint a vivid picture of a more relaxed and friendly time in railroading.

"On more than one occasion the train stopped and picked me up on my way to the station, and it frequently made unscheduled stops to let Earl Wager get off near his home. Often the train crew played cards with us while waiting at Yarker, and put up with many of our thoughtless actions such as hanging a heavy book sack on the emergency stop lever. (It certainly worked it very well.) Sometimes when we were in the cab, and when small boys approached, we would open the drain cocks on the cylinders and blow off water and steam. You should have seen them go! As a diesel and steam units were used interchangeable, we had opportunity to tinker with both. We found we could change the pitch of the air horn on the diesel by turning a valve. Sometimes we had it very low, other times very high. When the engineer realized what was going on he soon put a stop to it."

"There were mishaps. One time a frozen switch derailed us at Moscow and a broken rail went up through the baggage car. The fireman and engineer leaped form the cab and had to be helped out of a big snowbank where they landed. The line was blocked for two days and we stayed home form school."

"There were mysteries. One day before Thanksgiving our train stopped unexpectedly in Enterprise swamp. A little later we saw turkey feathers floating past our window."

"There were emergencies. The diesel unit, being smaller, had no fireman nor trainman. One christmas time it was found a steam locomotive was needed to pull more passenger cars, but there was no trainman available for its larger crew. The conductor gave me a trainman's hat, coat, mitts and lantern and a colour test at Yarker, (white, green, red, amber.) I operated as a trainman from Yarker to Tweed, and stayed all night at the conductor's house, returning home the next morning."

Not all Ford's adventures happened by railroad, but others must wait for another time.

They do remind however that, compared to those days, travel by today's school buses are preuy ho hum ways to get an education.

Submitted by the Lennox & Addington Historical Society

Students from Larkins, Marlbank and Erinsville who attended Tamworth Continuation School also rode the same train.

Looking Back

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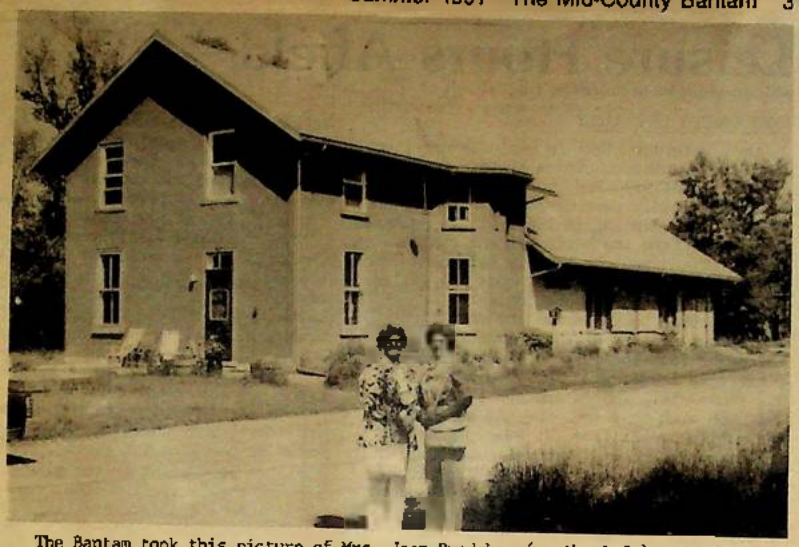


The Bantam took this picture of Mrs. Jean Bradshaw (on the left) and her sister Mrs. Alice Huffman on May 31st, 1991 with the former Tamworth train station in the background. The two were in the group of ten girls photographed by Jean Thompson as they waited for the last train to leave Tamworth exactly 50 years earlier, on May 31st, 1941.

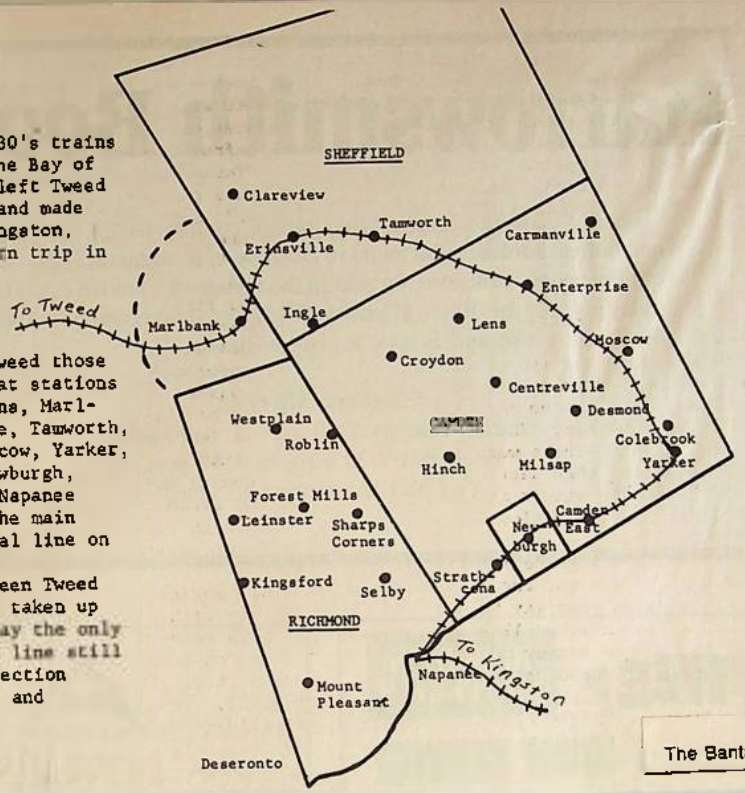
These ten girls were photographed by Jean Thompson as they waited to board the last passenger train to leave Tamworth, on May 31, 1941. They rode the train to the Lakeview station and then walked back to Tamworth. Left to right are: Clarissa Flynn, Alice Marlin, Valorie Allison, Phyllis Turkington, Leona Huffman, Mary Craig, Betty Tucker, Geraldine Flynn, Eileen Reynolds and Jean Marlin. The Marlin sisters are in the photo on the right.

Sisters Jean Bradshaw (on the left) and Alice Huffman rode the last train out of Tamworth with nine of their frinds. See more pictures on page 3.

Jean Thompson, in above picture, took the picture of the ten girls waiting for the train at Tamworth in 1941. Her father was Frank Thompson, the last station at Tamworth. Jean is now Mrs. Cox, a retired teacher living in Minden.

In the early 1930's trains travelling on the Bay of Quinte Railway left Tweed in the morning and made their way to Kingston, making the return trip in the afternoon.

After leaving Tweed those trains stopped at stations at Stoco, Larkins, Marlbank, Erinsville, Tamworth, Enterprise, Moscow, Yarker, Camden East, Newburgh, Strathcona and Napanee before taking the main Canadian National line on to Kingston.
The tracks between Tweed and Yarker were taken up in 1941 and today the only part of the old line still in use is the section between Napanee and Strathcona.



The Bantam

A Tribute

by Ethelda Detlor Boa

We commend
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Who with such expertise
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Of the Continuation School T's.
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In most wonderful ways
To make fulfillment
Of all the days
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And having FUN,
At good old T.C.S.
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"Funny creatures",
Helped the youth to grow
And become persons
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A credit to the teachers
And Tamworth town.

So to a small town
Whose residents are the best
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To those who were blest
To make a dream come true.
For such achievers
Are very few.
The event was joyous,
Happy and warm,
Renewing acquaintances,
Remembering their charm,
Wishing them well.
Seeing their smiles
All made the occasion
Very worthwhile.
A great big thank-you
For one and all!
And maybe, in a few years
There'll be another call.

What Is a Memory?

by Brydon Long

A memory is a little boy or a little girl,
The boy with a shy smile, the girl with a special curl.

A memory is a teacher who once gave you the strap,
Or another who put a feather in your cap.

Some memories are short for some are hard to recall,
For some are thought by one or two, some by almost all.

Some memories may bring a smile as you meet a friend so dear,
Some may bring back a laugh or make you shed a tear.

A memory is for us as we grow old and have our afterthought,
To see what life has been or what it might have brought.

A reunion is something that brings us back from near and far,
To reminisce of what our memories are.

The poems on this page were written for the Tamworth Continuation School Reunion

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Tamworth Sears Catalogue office closes

The Tamworth Sears Catalogue Sales office is scheduled to close effective March 1, 1993 and the present outlet holder, Mary Smith does not think it is for the best.

"A few problems in Tamworth", said Mary Smith of Sears in Napanee. "I am not at liberty to discuss restructuring. I don't think McDonald's were too happy with restructuring but everybody has to tighten belts these days. There are other outlets having similar problems.

"We are trying to find a new outlet in Tamworth but it would have to be someone able to service customers on a long term basis," said Ms. Smith.

"We serviced customers," said Gail McDonald. "We delivered for people who couldn't carry their purchases and there is no way Napanee will do that for Tamworth customers."

Outlets were paid 4.5 percent on the value of all sales. For this, they look after customer relations, receive and provide safe, heated storage for all merchandise, as well as look after returns and exchanges.

Under "restructuring", a fee will now be charged to McDonald's for every return they accept and they must accept all returns of Sears' products regardless of where the purchase was made.

If, for example, someone picked up a television set from Kingston, Toronto or wherever and returned it via Tamworth, the Tamworth store would be charged 4.5 percent of the value of that television set.

"Under the new system we made only $385 in the whole month of January," said Ms. McDonald. "That's about what we would have made in a good week prior to restructuring.

McDonald's Rentals will stay in business, but after 11 years of servicing Sears customers in Tamworth, we just had to close up that part of the business.

On April 1, 1995 The Sears Order Office re-opened, Donna Kelly manages it and a gift shop.

Tamworth and Erinsville, scenic small villages

Awesome beauty to behold at many scenic lakes

by Jennifer Heffernan

Calvin Wheeler was the first settler in the Township of Sheffield, where Tamworth is now located.

In 1848 Wheeler's Mills, as the village was then called, began to assume some importance, and a few scattered inhabitants petitioned the government for a post office, as the nearest point from which they could obtain their mail was Camden East. The request was granted, and Wheeler was asked to select a name for the office. Having always been an ardent admirer of the eminent English statesman, Sir Robert Peel, member of Parliament for Tamworth, he thought he could choose no more fitting a name than Tamworth for the new post office.

The first church in the village was the old Wesleyan Methodist, and the first man to minister to the spiritual needs of that congregation was a local preacher named Christopher Thompson.

Midway through this century Tamworth had two destructive fires which wiped out nearly all the buildings on the Main Street. They were soon replaced by better and more handsome ones of brick.

Anyone visiting Erinsville need not seek far to ascertain the origin of it's name. Nearly all the Irish who came to this country, almost 90 years ago seemed to gravitate towards that part of Sheffield, and the same nationality has maintained the ascendency ever since.

The little hamlet began with a blacksmith shop eighty years ago, and the inevitable tavern appeared a few years later. The stores of Erinsville have never carried large stocks nor done an extensive business, but merely catered to the simpler wants of the immediate neighbourhood, and in the summer to the tourist trade. Erinsville in it's earlier years, had the largest Roman Catholic church in the county, and rain or shine, good roads or bad, the congregation will be found in their pews at every regular service.

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TAMWORTH NOTEBOOK:

☐ Long gone is the former Grindstone printing company and its Grindstone newspaper. But not the name. Scott and Vicki MacPherson now operate the Grindstone Pizza store from the same location on Main Street.

☐ Bob and Gwynne Storring of Storring Real Estate say downtown business, during the recession, has been "challenged." "Smaller communities like ours seem to have it a little tougher at time like this," Mr. Storring said. "But we have a very progressive business community here, and we're lucky we have. We are a jig-saw of businesses. If one hurts, we all feel it. But they're very good at working with one another. And so far, we haven't seen a business close here."

☐ Freelance writer Rod Dawson is just back from the annual conference of the Canadian Authors Association in Hamilton. He ran into such celebrities as Randall Toye of Harlequin Romances, Playboy magazine cartoonist Doug Sneyd and Peter V. MacDonald, author of the Court Jester and a syndicated column in the Toronto Star.

☐ Ken and Dorothy Silver of the Tamworth hotel have given the popular spot a thorough renovation since taking it over last November. They have just switched from a rock music theme back to country and western. Maureen Brindley of the Kountry Kitchen restaurant says hooray. "Can't stand that hard rock stuff," she said. Watch for the C&W band Second Wind on Friday and Saturday.

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☐ Oren Moss, another of the area's many artists, has two of his works hanging in the Kountry Kitchen. One of the oil paintings depicts the old Moss flour and feed mill before it burned in 1960. Mr. Moss, whose family owned and ran the mill for 49 years, worked in it himself for 25 years.

☐ On the economy, Grant Woodcock says, "We survived the 1930s, we'll survive the 1990s. But Tamworth could really use a drug store. That's the one thing we're missing."

☐ Sheffield Township reeve Robert Craig says $60,000 has been raised toward the public share of funds needed for arena renovations. In all, $350,000 is needed, but there is still more than a year to go.

☐ Kathee and Ralph Hutcheon's corner store is a lot like Tamworth itself. It's a full-service operation, offering books, giftware, woollens, wooden cabinet work, restaurant, the works. Kind of like Sears, but smaller.

☐ Buster and Monica Vermeulen have shown plenty of confidence in the community. They have invested in the Five Corners Craft centre, the A.J. Art Gallery and the Devon Tea Room.

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—North County News—

Tamworth bank working hard to service customers

Today, village banks are like toothpaste in a tube. Easy to take out, but hard to put back.

The Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (CIBC) in Tamworth is working hard to see their bank doesn't get squeezed out. No business can be taken for granted.

Tamworth's bank serves customers from Arden, Tweed, Marlbank, Roblin, Enterprise, Centreville, Erinsville and Northbrook, as well as Tamworth. For many, banking elsewhere might be difficult, or sometimes impossible.

Bank manager Patricia Layfield and her staff are working hard to more fully service present customers.

Customers who use Tamworth as a secondary bank are encouraged to do more of their business in town. New accounts and more business is sought from seasonal residents and cottage owners.

CIBC Visa cards can be applied for, and most consumer loans can be arranged in town, with little delay. A business specialist is available for complicated business transactions.

Manager Layfield emphasizes customer confidentiality is of paramount importance. Discussing a customer's business outside of the bank warrants immediate dismissal.

Staff are not allowed to examine a customer's files unless there is a valid business reason to do so.

Ms. Layfield would like all people who have an interest in Tamworth to do as much of their banking business as possible in town, and encourage others to do likewise.

If the CIBC closed the bank in Tamworth, it would be very difficult, if not impossible, to put it back.

Staff at the CIBC in Tamworth get their heads together to encourage more business from the nine villages they serve. Pictured clockwise and upside down are Manager Patti Layfield, Leah Hartin, Tracy Lucas-Marlin, Debbie Lyman and Linda Rogers. Absent at the time of the photo were part-time staff members Janie Ryan and Jackie Hinchey.

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COMMUNITY BULLETIN

JULY 1992

125th CANADA DAY CELEBRATION - WEDNESDAY JULY 1, 1992 FREE ADMISSION

Sheffield-Camden Community Centre

3:00 - Craft Show, CWL Bake Sale, Face Painting, Kids' Corner, Fish Pond, Puppet Show, Community School Council Environmental Display, Karate Demonstration, Sheffield Fire Department Display and much more.

Sheffield Ball Park (bring your lawn chair)

5:00 - Games and races for all ages, prizes, free balloons for kids, free soft drinks.

6:00 - Lion's Club Hamburger Barbecue
Canada Day Birthday Cake (Sponsored by Tamworth Royal Canadian Legion)

7:30 - Music Talent Show All Evening featuring Bob Jacob, Gary Bird, Fred Hannah, Bernie Jaffe, Old Tyme Fiddling and many more.

10:00 Sheffield Business Association Fireworks Display

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Sheffield's Canada Day

There was a magnificent display of fireworks, an excellent demonstration of local talent, kids playing and other folk talking, and it was Canada Day, 1992 in Sheffield Township. There was no debate about the future of Canada. The Queen doesn't know we exist in small-town Ontario: and it doesn't matter.

This is Sheffield Township and we had a most enjoyable day. There was no professionalism. The famous were busy elsewhere. Local people put their minds and hearts together and developed this memorable day. For those who toured the local arena, there were crafts displayed and offered for sale, but there was no commercial hawking. I don't think it was a profitable time, but it didn't seem to matter; everyone was amicable. There were pictures of Tamworth, the Tamworth of former days, the days we long to remember, but soon forget.

Outside of the arena, I saw a display of youth at play. I'm not sure whether it was karate or one of the other martial arts, but it didn't matter. The kids were demonstrating their skills and they were eager, keen and happy. The worries of the world were far away and in a foreign place. We spectators participated by watching.

Next to the bank there was a "Punch'n Judy" show and there was a small fish tank and there were people mulling about, talking, looking and enjoying the moment. It was as it should be in any town or city in this Canada we call our home.

At the ballpark there were games for the kids. It did not cost a fortune; local people worked together and used whatever was available to make it work. Plastic soda bottles, with a little water in them, served as bowling pins. One alley had a piece of vinyl flooring, the other used the natural grass. I listened and didn't hear one kid complain and the adults didn't criticize the effort. It wasn't perfect. It was as it should be. Ordinary Canadians utilized their ingenuity and we all benefitted by it.

In the evening we honoured a local teacher by asking her to lead us in the singing of O'Canada. Most families in Sheffield entrusted this teacher with the most precious commodity this country's people has to offer, our children. She serves us well.

How disappointing it must have been for Springhill and Big Pond when their local talent decided to entertain in another place. Our local people were blessed with local talent, the same people we rub shoulders with each day, and we were treated royally.

The local Lions Club sold hamburgers for $1.00 each and offset the high price by giving free soft drinks. This was not a major fundraising event. It was Canada Day and it was for the people. The volunteer Fire Department did what had to be done, without fuss or fanfare, and did an admirable job with the fireworks display. All the people involved did their job, did not seek credit and did yeoman service. Thanks.

Canada Day has come and gone. We will remember the fireworks, the chemically-propelled explosives with their glitter and bang. We will remember the songs we heard and the dancers we watched. We will remember something about what happened that day and that is as it should be.

Ordinary people did ordinary things in an extraordinary fashion and this is Canada, these are Canadians, and this is how we should be. Perhaps we caught a glimpse of what makes this country so great. Our diversity funnelled into a single goal and we unite in friendship. This is how it should be in this great Dominion.

J. R. Stevens,
Tamworth

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Chrysler Canada's Windsor Minivan Assembly Plant won the top award in the competition's prestigious Quality category.

Although the award stands only 8 inches high, it represents the highest level of commitment to quality to which a business can aspire.

1992 MagicWagon

The Windsor Minivan Plant achieved this significant Canadian honour for three good reasons: its people, its ongoing quality process and its products – the Dodge Caravan and Plymouth Voyager. The Chrysler MagicWagons are acknowledged as a technological breakthrough that changed the way families drive.

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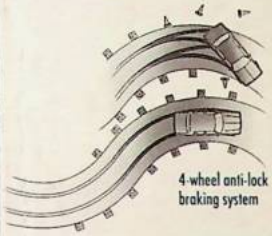

4-wheel anti-lock braking system

In fact, the Windsor Assembly Plant is still one of the most advanced and efficient vehicle production facilities in the world. To date, Chrysler Canada has built more than 2.3 million minivans. Without a doubt, the Chrysler MagicWagon is the number one selling minivan in the world.

Standard air bags for driver and passenger in 1993 Concorde, Intrepid and Vision

As it is today, safety was a primary consideration back in 1937 when all knobs on the Dodge dash were recessed and the back of the front seat was given a thick upholstery roll.

With the introduction of the 1966 Chrysler a new safety feature, front seat shoulder belts, was made available. An industry first.

Industry's first integrated child seats option

For 1992, Chrysler introduced the first integrated child seats in our minivans. This unique feature will also be available on Chrysler's new mid-sized sedans. They conveniently fold out of sight when not in use.

Chrysler also thought of how to control curiosity with child-protection rear door locks.

Chrysler will provide dual air bags as standard equipment on Chrysler Concorde, Intrepid and Eagle Vision. And starting in 1993, all of our domestically built cars will have, as standard equipment, a driver's side air bag. A life-saver that inflates in half the time it takes to blink an eye.

For an added measure of control and in sudden braking situations, Chrysler offers All Wheel Drive and 4-wheel anti-lock braking systems.

BELIEVE IN YOUR NEIGHBOUR

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In 1925, the newly-formed Chrysler Corporation of Canada built 4,474 cars. Today, the company's annual Canadian production capacity is more than 500,000 vehicles, 85% of which are exported. The original total of 181 employees has grown to more than 14,000 and an equal number are employed by our 625 dealers across Canada.

In 1925, the company was served by 250 suppliers. Today, Chrysler Canada purchases supplies and services from more than 3000 Canadian suppliers.

The company's entire 1925 payroll totalled $316,000. In 1991, Chrysler Canada paid its

1993 Chrysler Intrepid

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- Advanced design, [illegible] with [illegible]

1934
- Automatic overdrive
- One-piece curved g

1946
- Limited production

1949
- Key-[illegible] combination starter switch

1950
- Four-wheel, self-energizing disc brakes
- All-electric window

1951
- Hemispherical combustion V-8 engine
- Power steering

1955
- All-transistor car radio

1957
- Curved side windows

1966
- Chrysler Cleaner Air emission control b

1973
- Electronic ignition s on all models

1976
- Electronic Spark Ad (Chrysler's Electron

1978
- First North American front-wheel drive c
- Microprocessor-cont search/tune radio

1981
- Continuous flow ful fuel injected engine

1983
- 5 year/80,000 km protection warranty

1984
- Front-wheel-drive m
- First to receive Zero Excellence for corro (FWD/Wagon)
- Turbocharger with v housing

1987
- 7 year/160,000 k protection warranty

1992
- First driver's side a equipment on all m
- The new Jeep Gran only sport utility w standard

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1937
- Safety padding on

Map of Canadian Legends

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Tamworth river rescue saves two men

March 25, 1992

By MICHAEL LEA
Whig-Standard Staff Writer

Two men trapped on the roof of their sinking car were plucked to safety by two Tamworth-area men in a canoe early yesterday morning.

Don Stinson, 36, of RR 2, Tamworth, and neighbor Robert Foster came to the rescue of two of four men who were in a car that plunged into the Salmon River, north of Tamworth, at about 3 a.m. yesterday.

The other two in the car were able to swim ashore. All four were taken to hospital where they were treated and released.

Const. Dave Clapp of the Napanee detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police said the four men were in a car that failed to negotiate a curve approaching a bridge on Thompson Hill Road, one and a half miles north of Tamworth.

The car went through a steel retaining cable and down the embankment, plunging into the fast-flowing river.

The vehicle, a Honda Accord, floated about 150 feet under the bridge downstream until it lodged against an obstruction on the river bed, which is about 6-10 feet deep. By then only the car's roof was above water.

Two of the men clambered onto the roof to await rescue while the other two swam ashore and sought help.

One of them ended up on Don Stinson's kitchen floor.

Mr. Stinson said the man had walked about a half mile from the accident site to his home, where he immediately collapsed.

"He was kind of incoherent. He said two guys got out of the car and there were two in the river."

The man couldn't have picked a better place to seek help.

Mr. Stinson and his wife Joanne are both trained in outdoor education and rescue and they immediately realized the man was suffering from hypothermia.

They also knew fast action was crucial if the men in the river were to be saved.

While his wife called for an ambulance and the fire department, Mr. Stinson drove from his house to the river, blowing the car horn to let the people in the river know that help was on its way.

Meanwhile, his wife was putting the man at their house in a warm bath, giving him tea and dry clothes.

Mr. Stinson pulled onto the bridge and saw the car in the dark river, two men clinging to the roof.

He backed up his car so the headlights shone down the river, illuminating the scene.

"The car roof was about an inch out of the water. One guy was kneeling, one was sitting."

He called out to the two to find

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River

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out what had happened to the missing fourth man and was told only that he had headed off into the bush.

Mr. Stinson ran to the nearby home of Robert Foster and his wife Lisa, who had already been awakened by the noise of the car horn and Mr. Stinson's calls to the trapped men.

Mr. Stinson, an experienced white water canoeist, asked Mr. Foster for a boat and was pleasantly surprised when he learned a canoe was available.

The two then carried Mr. Foster's canoe to the river and headed for the submerged car.

"Just as we were going under the bridge the fire trucks arrived," Mr. Stinson said.

Fighting against the strong current, the two paddled alongside the sunken car, where the two men were virtually immobile with cold.

"They were hypothermic to the point that they couldn't move," Mr. Stinson said. "The one guy just sat there and stared at me. So I grabbed them by the scruff of the neck and rolled them into the boat."

They paddled back to shore and turned the men over to Sheffield Township firefighters, who bundled them up in blankets.

The missing fourth man was found shivering in a hunting camp about 300 feet from the river. Mr. Stinson got a truck and moved the man to a heated building.

All four men were taken to Lennox and Addington General Hospital where they were treated and released.

OPP Const. Dave Clapp said the men were fortunate to have survived their ordeal.

"They were lucky they got out of the vehicle," he said.

If their car had rolled over and ended up in the river upsidedown instead of on its wheels "we would have been fishing four guys out of the river," he said.

Const. Clapp identified the four men from the car as Gregory Yeates, 25, of RR 1, Deseronto; Daniel Clarke, 24, of Belleville; Gregory Post, 29, of Belleville; and David O'Hara, 36, of Belleville.

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Two men receive bravery citations

By Jim Serazin
Staff Reporter

A couple of residents of Tamworth better clear away some of the mantle space for their bravery awards.

This past Wednesday, local heroes Robert Foster and Don Stinson were presented with a certification of bravery award by Fred Wilson, MPP for Frontenac Addington during a special ceremony at the Sheffield Fire Hall.

> ***"As far as I know, this is the first act of heroism award in this township."***

The two men risked their lives to rescue two trapped men from the roof of a vehicle submerged in the icy cold waters of the Salmon River March 24 at about 3:45 a.m. in the morning.

"As far as I know, this is the first act of heroism award in this township," said Fire Chief Jim Beattie.

Stinson first became aware of the incident when one of the occupants of the car knocked on his residence door at approximately 3:30 am.

The late visitor was one of four occupants of a 1987 Honda which skidded off the north east section of the Thompson Road into the river just prior to the entrance of Kirk's Bridge.

From there, the vehicle floated down the river before coming to rest on a rock with the car's roof sticking out. Two occupants of the car managed to escape before the vehicle floated downstream while the other pair clung to the roof.

At first Stinson said he was informed by the visitor there were five occupants in the car.

Stinson headed to the house of neighbor Foster, where the pair secured a canoe and headed out in the pitch blackness of the night towards the trapped men.

"The temperature of the water was -18 Celsius," said Stinson, when he recounted the incident following the presentation with Foster.

Both men are experienced outdoorsmen and took control of the daring incident when they approached the men suffering from hypothermia.

"I have done canoe rescues before but not from cars", said Stinson.

"It was something that had to be done," explained Foster. "We just responded in the heat of the moment."

And according to Beattie, who organized the special presentation on behalf of the fire department, more awards could be on the way.

The fire chief says the Ontario Provincial Police department has received a report of the heroic rescue and he expects another major bravery award is pending.

Coming to the rescue — Two special certificates of bravery plaques were presented to Tamworth residents Don Stinson (left) and Robert Foster (right) by Fred Wilson, MPP for Frontenac Addington last Wednesday at the Sheffield Fire Hall. Both men helped rescue two men stranded on the roof of a vehicle partially submerged in the Salmon River last March.

Napanee Beaver

1850 – 1992

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

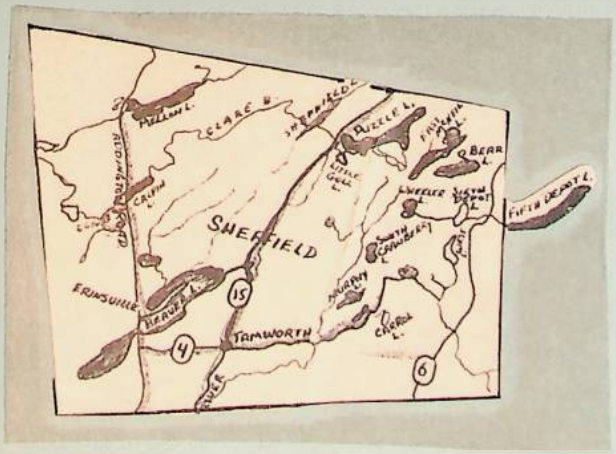
	Reeve	Clerk
1850	Nell Stewart	James Laird
1851	John Murphy	Arch MacDonnell
1852	Nell Stewart	Norman Clark
1853	J. Wheeler	Norman Clark
1854	John Murphy	Patrick Gaffney
1855	John Murphy	Patrick Gaffney
1856	Cyril J. Asselstine	Patrick Gaffney

1856 A deputy reeve was elected for the first time.
name - unknown
1852 was the first year for the United Townships.
1857 was the last year that the township is referred to in minutes and by-laws as The United Townships of Sheffield, Kaladar, Anlesea and Effingham.

1857	Reeve unknown	Deputy Reeve-unknown
1858	Reeve unknown	unknown
1859	Neil Stewart	unknown
1860	Neil Stewart	Samuel McDonnell
1861	Ebenezer Perry	John Murphy
1862	Patrick McMullen	John Murphy
1863	Ebenezer Perry	John Murphy
1864	Ebenezer Perry	John Murphy
1865	Ebenezer Perry	Patrick McMullen
1866	Ebenezer Perry	Archibald Stewart

1867 Prior to this year the five members of council were elected by wards, into which the township had been divided in 5 wards.
The successful candidates then selected the Reeve and Deputy Reeve by motion at the first meeting.
1864 Lennox and Addington separated from their union with Frontenac County.

	Reeve	Deputy Reeve	Clerk
1896	Hiram Keech	George Woods	James Aylesworth
1897	George Woods	Dennis Kearns	James Aylesworth
1898	George Woods	Thomas J. Donahue	James Aylesworth
1899	George Woods	no deputy reeve	James Aylesworth
1900	George Woods		James Aylesworth
1901	George Woods		James Aylesworth
1902	George Woods		James Aylesworth



These are scenes taken at a salvage sale in August 1942, The sale is in aid of the local Red Cross Unit, and the Auctioneer is Reeve E.J. Courneya. The sale took place near the Town Hall.

Mr. E. J. Courneya was reeve from 1935 to 1943 and returned again for 1946. Besides operating Tamworth Hotel he was a popular auctioneer in the area.

Paul Burns, Reeve 1973 - 1983

	Reeve	Clerk
1903	John A. Wagar	James Aylesworth
1904	John A. Wagar	James Aylesworth
1905	John A. Wagar	James Aylesworth
1906	John A. Wagar	James Aylesworth
1907	John A. Wagar	James Aylesworth
1908	Smith Gilmore	J.F. Diamond
1909	Smith Gilmore	James Aylesworth
1910	Smith Gilmore	James Aylesworth
1911	George Woods	James Aylesworth
1912	J. Ed. Harrison	James Aylesworth
1913	J. Ed. Harrison	James Aylesworth
1914	J. Ed. Harrison	James Aylesworth
1915	J. Ed. Harrison	James Aylesworth
1916	J. Ed. Harrison	James Aylesworth
1917	J. Ed. Harrison	James Aylesworth
1918	J. Ed. Harrison	James Aylesworth
1919	J. Ed. Harrison	James Aylesworth
1920	Frank Beckwith	James Aylesworth
1921	G. H. Young	James Aylesworth
1922	G. H. Young	James Aylesworth
1923	G. H. Young	John E. Parks
1924	G. H. Young	John E. Parks
1925	G. H. Young	John E. Parks
1926	G. H. Young	John E. Parks
1927	G. H. Young	John E. Parks
1928	A. B. Carscallen	John E. Parks
1929	A. B. Carscallen (part of year)	John E. Parks
	Herbert York (balance of year)	John E. Parks
1930	Herbert York	John E. Parks
1931	Herbert York	John E. Parks
1932	Archie R. Black	W. E. Carscallen
1933	Archie R. Black	W. E. Carscallen
1934	Archie R. Black	W. E. Carscallen
1935	E. J. Courneyea	W. E. Carscallen
1936	E. J. Courneyea	W. E. Carscallen
1937	E. J. Courneyea	W. E. Carscallen
1938	E. J. Courneyea	W. E. Carscallen
1939	E. J. Courneyea	W. E. Carscallen
1940	E. J. Courneyea	W. E. Carscallen
1941	E. J. Courneyea	W. E. Carscallen
1942	E. J. Courneyea	M. J. Hopkins
1943	E. J. Courneyea	M. J. Hopkins
1944	Clarence A. Milligan	M. J. Hopkins
1945	Clarence A. Milligan	M. J. Hopkins
1946	E. J. Courneyea	M. J. Hopkins
1947	Herbert York	M. J. Hopkins
1948	Herbert York	M. J. Hopkins
1949	Herbert York	M. J. Hopkins
1950	Herbert York	M. J. Hopkins

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Two Ex-Wardens were Reeves of Sheffield

Ray Gaffney

Clarence Hanna

Two former County Wardens, both also former Sheffield Township Reeves have died in the past week.

Ray J. Gaffney, 69, of Tamworth, died at the Hotel Dieu Hospital in Kingston last Tuesday. He was admitted to the hospital at the beginning of this year.

Clarence Hanna, 81, of Napanee but also formerly of Tamworth, died Monday at St. Cloud, Florida.

Both were Sheffield Township Reeves for many years. Mr. Gaffney succeeded William T. Briscoe as County Warden in 1968. He was also a director of the Association of Counties and Regions of Ontario for a number of years, serving his last term of office in 1974. As County Warden, Mr. Gaffney appointed the Lennox and Addington County Home for the Aged building committee. Construction of the Home was started in 1969 and was completed in January, 1971.

Funeral service for Mr. Gaffney, a car dealer and service station operator in Tamworth, was held on Friday at the Church of the Assumption in Erinsville. Despite adverse weather conditions, many attended the service to pay their last respects. They included former and present members of County Council and municipal officials and councillors throughout the county.

A drover, Mr. Hanna lived for many years in Camden Township near Centreville. He operated the Newburgh sales barn with a partner. He lived in Tamworth in the 1950's and 1960's. Later he moved to Napanee and was appointed county safety inspector. After his retirement he was manager of the Napanee Golf Club.

County Warden in 1960, Mr. Hanna had served many years on County Council and had been chairman of several of its committees, including the finance committee. He was predeceased by his first wife, Ruby.

Mr. Hanna is survived by his wife Rita, son William, of Toronto and daughter Nancy, of Port Hope.

G.H. Young

Focus on the past

Gordon Yeomans of RR 2, Erinsville brought this picture of the 1925 Lennox and Addington County Council in to *the Beaver*. Front row, left to right: R.J. Campbell, Reeve, Kaladar, Anglesea and Effingham; M.H. Mellow, Reeve, Bath; M.P. Graham, Reeve, Napanee; G.H. Young, Reeve, Sheffield. Second row, left to right: F.W. Barrett, High County Constable; A. McCutcheon, Reeve, Richmond; J.S. Johnson, Reeve, Adolphustown; J.L. Smith, Warden, Reeve, South Fredericksburgh; C.W. Hambly, MLA; D. Sexsmith, Deputy Reeve, Ernestown; J. Yeomans, Reeve, North Fredericksburgh. Third row: James Fisher, Reeve, Camden; R.J. Cousins, Deputy Reeve, Camden; Frank Rogers, Reeve, Denbigh, Abinger and Ashby; Samuel Miller, Reeve Amherst Island; E.J. Sexsmith, MP; Ross Peters, Reeve, Ernestown; T.V. Anderson, County Road Superintendent. Back row: W.J. Shannon, County Treasurer; Thomas McNeely, Reeve, Newburgh; W.G. Wilson, County Clerk.

	Reeve	Deputy Reeve	Clerk
1951	Roy G. Milligan		John P. Hopkins
1952	Roy G. Milligan		John P. Hopkins
1953	Roy G. Milligan		John P. Hopkins
1954	Roy G. Milligan		John P. Hopkins
1955	Roy G. Milligan		John P. Hopkins
1956	Roy G. Milligan		John P. Hopkins
1957	Vincent J. Burns		(6 months) John P. Hopkins
			(6 months) Patricia Richmond
1958	Vincent J. Burns		Patricia Richmond
1959	Clarence F. Hanna		Patricia Richmond
1960	Clarence F. Hanna		Patricia Richmond
1961	Clarence F. Hanna		Patricia Richmond
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			Jim Peters-Feb(6wks)
			Debbie Kennedy-Mar 15
1987	Earl Smith	Gerald Milligan	Debbie Kennedy
1988	Earl Smith	Gerald Milligan	Debbie Kennedy- Aug
			John DuChene-Aug 15-
1989	Gerald Milligan	Robert Craig	John DuChene
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Mary Burns

WARDENS
OF THE COUNTY OF LENNOX AND ADDINGTON FROM THE TOWNSHIP OF SHEFFIELD.

1872	Ebenezer Perry	REEVE
1910	Smith Gilmour	REEVE
1919	J.Ed. Harrison	REEVE
1927	G.H. Young	REEVE
1943	Edward J.Courneya	REEVE
1949	Herbert York	REEVE
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1975	Paul Burns	REEVE
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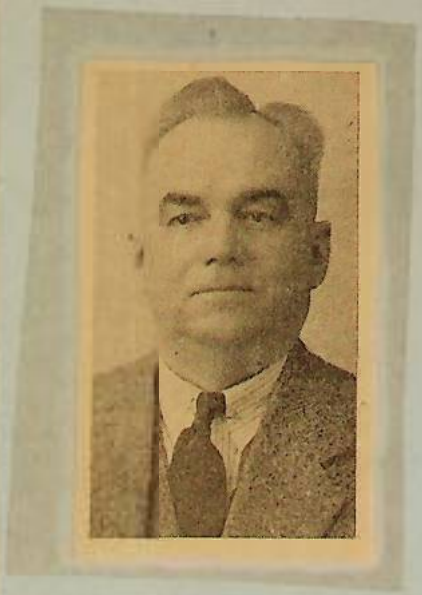

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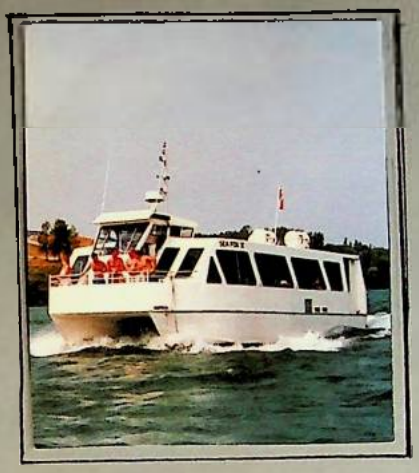

On June 15 Tamworth W.I. members enjoyed a tour of Kingston waterfront on the Sea Fox.

Lunch at the Red Lobster

G. Clement
L. Craig
M. Cunnington
A. Storring

Photos by Dora Tennant

Kay Allen
Helen Hopkins
Joy Lloyd

Agnes Starring
Betty Wheeler

Pictures by Vera Hannah

WE REMEMBER

1993 Mrs. James Scanlin (Lucy)
Mrs. James Jupp (Mabel)
1988 Isma Milligan
Marguarite Carrol
1991 Anne (Bird) Barrett
1994 Kay Allen
Doris MacPherson
1990 Patricia York
1985 Mae Prue

23rd Psalm

The Lord is my shepherd:
I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
He leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul:
He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness
For His name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley
Of the shadow of death.
I will fear no evil:
For thou art with me:
Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me
In the presence of mine enemies:
Thou anointest my head with oil;
My cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
All the days of my life:
And I will dwell in the house of the LORD
Forever.

SCANLIN, Lucy

Peacefully at the Providence Manor in Kingston, on Friday, March 26, 1993, Lucille Marie Scanlin, formerly of Tamworth, in her 93rd year, beloved wife of the late James J. Scanlin, dearly loved mother of Bill Scanlin of Tamworth; Elizabeth Houston of Victoria, BC; Mary Lazarski of Campbell River, BC; and the late Evelyn and Jack, precious grandmother of six and great-grandmother of one, dear sister of Irene Fallon and also remembered by many neices and nephews, and devoted friend Wanda Caverly. Friends will be received from 10 a.m., on Monday, at Providence Manor, followed by Mass of Christian Burial at 11 a.m., in Our Mother of Sorrows Chapel of Providence Manor, Kingston. Interment at St. Anthony's Cemetery, Centreville. As expressions of sympathy, memorial donations may be made to the Providence Manor Building Fund of Kingston or the Cunningham Memorial Park, Tamworth. In the Care of Hannah Funeral Home, Tamworth. 379-2997.

102 **DEATHS**

JUPP, Mabel

At Lenadco in Napanee on Thursday, May 20, 1993, Mabel Ann McGregor of Tamworth in her 90th year; beloved wife of the late James Jupp; predeceased by brother Johnny and sisters Margaret and Lillian. Friends will be received at the Hannah Funeral Home, Tamworth, Friday evening 7-9 p.m. Service in the Funeral Home on Saturday, May 22, at 2:00 p.m. Interment Tamworth United Church Cemetery. Donations may be made to the Charity of your choice. Legion Service Friday evening at 8:30 p.m.

STINSON, May (Maisie) — At the Kingston General Hospital on Saturday, November 21, 1987, May Violet Haylette, beloved wife of the late R. Kenneth Stinson, Tamworth; dear mother of G. Kenneth Stinson, Kingston; grandmother of Robert, Catherine and Peter, loved Nana of nine great grandchildren. Resting at the Hannah Funeral Home, Tamworth, Monday 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Funeral Service Tuesday, November 24 to Christ Church, Tamworth at 11 a.m. Interment Christ Church Cemetery. Should friends desire in lieu of flowers, donations to Christ Church Restoration Fund or charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family.

108 **DEATHS**

MILLIGAN, Annie — At the Lennox and Addington County General Hospital on Tuesday, March 6, 1990, Annie Margaret Milligan (Gilmour) of Napanee, in her 86th year, dear daughter of the late Dan and Florence Gilmour, dear mother of Rowena (Mrs. Bill Raycraft) and Albert Milligan, both of Napanee; Helen (Mrs. Ray Brown) of Enterprise; Danny Milligan and Adam Milligan of Napanee; and Elaine (Mrs. Nick Whitty) of Moscow; former wife of Clarence Milligan, also remembered by 14 grandchildren and nine great grandchildren. The family will receive friends at the Wannamaker—Tierney Chapel, Napanee on Wednesday evening, 7-9 p.m. Visitation at the Hannah Funeral Home, Tamworth, on Thursday from 2:30-4:30 and 7-9 p.m. Service in the Hannah Funeral Home on Friday, March 9 at 1:30 p.m. Reverend Phil Hobbs officiating. Interment Tamworth United Church Cemetery. Donations may be made to the Lennox and Addington County Hospital Building Fund.

W I. SUPPORTS 4-H CLUBS

ALAN CAPON/The Whig-Standard

Bonnie and Joe O'Neill say the goal of 4-H is the overall development of the person

First known as Boys and Girls Clubs, 4-H has roots in Canada going back to 1913.

THE NAME WAS adopted in 1952 and stands for the following:

- Head: learning about agriculture; food and life skills; developing leadership skills; practising decision making.
- Heart: making new friends; accepting responsibility; developing positive attitudes; being a good citizen.
- Hands: learning new skills; working with others; doing their best; helping in their community.
- Health: maintaining a healthy lifestyle; being aware of safety; using free time constructively.

Today there are 18,000 4-Hers in Ontario, more than 50,000 in Canada, and seven million around the world.

"The 4-H motto is to learn to do by doing."

Erinsville dairy farmer Joe O'Neill is a past provincial 4-H supervisor who sings the praises of the 4-H movement.

Wife Bonnie works for the Agriculture Ministry as a rural organization specialist and is responsible for 4-H clubs in Lennox and Addington County.

She has a degree in family studies from the University of Guelph and completed 19 projects in 4-H and subsequently led clubs. She joined the ministry as a home economist and, after stints in the Rainy River District and St. Thomas in Elgin County, became the rural organization specialist at Napanee's agricultural office.

Mr. O'Neill, who graduated in crop science at Guelph University, was responsible for rejuvenating and strengthening the 4-H program in the 1980s. He also instituted the present award system. He left the ministry in 1988 to take over the family farm.

"But the philosphy of 4-H has not changed from day one," Mrs. O'Neill said. "It is not to have the best animal to show but the overall development of the young person."

YOUNG PEOPLE CAN still benefit from the skills 4-H provides, she said. A new problem today, however, is that people no longer know their neighbors as they once did, and some hesitate to allow their children to attend meetings with strangers.

The best advertising 4-H has is word-of-mouth, Mr. O'Neill said. "The kids themselves sell it."

But the biggest problem today is not finding young people to take part but in finding leaders.

"Leaders are always drawn from the busiest people in the community," Mrs. O'Neill said.

On completion of six projects, a 4-H member receives a trillium pin, for 12 projects a desk pen set, for 18 a travel alarm clock, and on completion of 24 projects, a limited edition print. Some young people have completed as many as 40 projects and many enthusiastic 4-Hers will tackle, and complete, four or even five projects a year, she said.

While the program is designed for rural youth, there is nothing to prevent young people from towns or cities taking part, he said.

A 4-H club is simply a community group of one or more adult leaders and several young people from ages 10 to 21. 4-H members learn to take pride in doing their best, making quality decisions, and working as a team. All clubs share these goals, whatever their topics.

Some projects are farm related — dairy, beef, sheep, veterinary — while others include pets, cooking, conservation, finance, fitness, landscaping, leadership, heritage, outdoors, safety, sewing, crafts and, new for this year, entrepreneurship.

Rural Organization Specialist Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food

Bonnie O'Neill's column will not appear in the next couple of issues of the Bantam as she is on a few month's leave from her job with the Ministry of Agriculature and Food. The picture above explains why.

On November 8th Bonnie gave birth to this adorable little girl at Kingston General Hospital. Stephanie, who weighed in at seven pounds, fifteen ounces, is the first child for Bonnie and her husband Joe.

Molly Brunet wins Youth Award

Molly Brunet of Tamworth was presented with a Canada Day Youth Award on Friday, July 1, at a special ceremony held in Kingston.

The Canada Day Youth Award is designed to recognize and reinforce the outstanding achievements and contributions of young people to their communities.

Nominees must be 18, or younger, and have made a significant contribution to their community in one or more of the following areas: community participation, promotion of Canadian values; Environmental initiatives.

Miss Brunet graduates this year as an Ontario Scholar from Napanee District Secondary School. She expects her marks will average 90 per cent.

She has been a peer tutor with grade nine French at NDSS and has also tutored other students on a volunteer basis, with her special love of science and mathematics.

She also attended, helped promote and organize a recent peer tutor conference at NDSS.

With her friend and colleague, Kathryn Burrows, she was M.C. at a fashion show which raised money for Interval House.

Miss Brunet was selected for the Canada Day Youth Award because of her involvement with the peer tutoring program.

Molly Brunet

She will be attending Trent University next year to study for a Bachelor of Science and Bachelor Education degree.

From there, Miss Brunet plans to attend teachers college and go on to a career in teaching.

She will be entering Trent University with the help of a $1,000 scholarship. She was offered a $1,500 scholarship by Ottawa University, but preferred the programs at Trent.

Helping is a big part of Ms. Brunet's life.

She credits her late mother, Carolyn Brunet, as her role model and inspiration.

Her mother died suddenly and unexpectedly two years ago, leaving her husband and a family of five girls and one boy, now ages 12 to 20.

Miss Brunet has assumed many tasks associated with running the home.

Her father, Jim Brunet, an electrical contractor, said his daughter Molly is a wonderful girl, and he is proud of all his children.

He works long hours and depends on his children to take on responsibilities.

Miss Brunet's hobbies and interests are many and varied.

She loves drama, basketball, French, reading, writing poetry, cross country skiing, swimming and all sports.

She has been a Sunday School teacher at Christ Church in Tamworth for six year.

Perhaps the most outstanding characterisitic of this young lady is that in spite of the heavy responsibilities she has voluntarily taken on, both at home and in the community, she has a delightful, charming and bubbly personality, always wears a smile, and is always pleasant.

Who's Who in Tamworth

Award for Tracy

Tracy Lucas-Martin, a customer service representative at the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (CIBC) in Tamworth was singled out by bank with a Quarterly Achievement Award for exemplary work.

Ms Lucas-Martin was one of six employees selected from about 350 bank employees working in the 17 CIBC branches from Colbourne to Brockville.

The award is presented to those employees who continually excel in performing their tasks, have a winning attitude, and "bring a certain spirit and determination to their work."

Ms Lucas-Martin received a certificate, $250 cash or in bank shares, and a bouquet of flowers.

She also now has a chance to win a Caribbean Cruise, with an extra week's holiday.

Bonnee Vanags is the owner of the Kountry Kitchen in Tamworth. Ms. Vanags has been running the popular restaurant for the past four years, and enjoys being her own boss.

Where customers are friends

Kathee Hutcheon says that in today's work world, one person may have several different jobs.

Mrs. Hutcheon is the owner of The Corner Store in Tamworth and says, "I think I was born for the current philosophy of several career changes in a lifetime. This [running her business] is just one thing I was ready to try when the opportunity arose."

The store has a coffee bar, gift area and also sells a number of items in the "variety" section.

She and her husband bought the business in September of 1985 from Dick and Shirley Dickeson, but Mrs. Hutcheon says the business itself has "been here for decades."

As far as she knows, it has always been called The Corner Store.

Mrs. Hutcheon says that every once in a while, a former owner "Tommy" Murphy comes in for a visit.

In the almost nine years that she has been in business in Tamworth, Mrs. Hutcheon says she has seen a lot of the same families in the store.

"It's fascinating watching the little ones grow from shy toddlers into the confident young people they are today."

The most popular area of The Corner Store is the coffee bar, and Mrs. Hutcheon says it is often called "The Information Exchange Centre."

"It's great having people come into the store as customers, and having them end up as friends," Mrs. Hutcheon says.

Having the right kind of staff helps to make the business a success, she notes.

Kathee Hutcheon

"We are a very service oriented business right up to taking phone messages for people."

Mrs. Hutcheon has three paid staff working with her, plus she says "any member of the family can be called on for assistance when necessary."

Since opening her store, Mrs. Hutcheon says she has learned what it takes to run a small business.

"We are much more understanding of the small operation. We have to know, or learn, how to bookkeep, merchandise, sell, and get along with all kinds of people and situations."

She has no plans to expand and is quite happy being "the country version of the shopping mall, selling everything from real perked coffee to a wide variety of magazines to beautiful handmade items in the gift department."

Conservation Officers: History in the making

1892 The Act for the Protection of Game and Fur-Bearing Animals is enacted. A chief warden, four part-time field officers and 392 deputy wardens are hired by the Ontario Board of Game and Fish Commissioners. Game wardens were paid $10 a month. Deputies received half of the fines imposed on their evidence.

1894 Wardens' annual salary increased from $120 to $400.

1896 First resident deer licence ($2) introduced. More than 3,400 were issued.

1900 Deputy wardens are required to take an oath of office, binding them to discharge their duties honestly. As a result, their numbers declined from 527 to 209.

1909 The Department of Games and Fisheries is founded.

1911 Annual report of the Department of Games and Fisheries mentions a "widespread system of pollution of our lakes, rivers and streams."

1914 Fur dealers are licensed.

1916 First trapping licence ($5) is introduced.

1924 Driven by scarcity, beaver and otter harvests are cancelled across southern Ontario.

1926 First gun licence ($1) issued.

1928 A fish culture branch is set up to promote the restocking of lakes and to detect pollution in suspect areas.

1930 A special committee on game and fish declares that the field service is "far too small" either to check summer tourists adequately or to protect fish and wildlife.

1934 Hepburn government announces the firing of 117 wardens and 500 deputies. Game and fish violations fall from 810 convictions in 1933 to 491 in 1934, the lowest since records started in 1919.

1946 The Department of Games and Fisheries is incorporated into the Department of Lands and Forests.

1948 Wardens or overseers are renamed conservation officers.

1954 Ballistics experts are first used in prosecuting fish and wildlife cases.

1960 Edible "survival" buttons appear on officers' parkas.

1964 A three-week law enforcement course is introduced at the Ontario Police College, Aylmer, for the supervisors of officers

1968 General diploma courses are switched from Forest Ranger Schools to Sir Sanford Fleming College, Lindsay.

1971 Bob McGillivray becomes Ontario's first flying enforcement officer.

1980 Margaret Reed of Chatham district becomes the first female conservation officer.

1986 Ontario residents' fishing licence is introduced.

1988 MNR makes bulletproof vests available for conservation officers.

1989 Timmins is the first city to launch a Report-A-Poacher program in conjunction with Crime Stoppers International.

1991 A Sudbury court accepts — for the first time in North America — the validity of DNA fingerprinting in a poaching trial.

1992 100 years of provincial conservation officers marked.

SOURCE: Ministry of Natural Resources

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Looking Ahead

Laser: The light that didn't fail

Once 'a solution in search of a problem', now it's transforming civilization

By John Barbour
ASSOCIATED PRESS

It vaporizes dental decay. It erases a birthmark. It guides a smart bomb to its target. It records the price of a can of soup at the checkout counter.

If there has been one invention in the innovation-rich 20th century that has delivered more than it promised, it is the laser.

It has become an extension of the human being, guiding robot hands, seeing with robot eyes, even feeling with robot touch. It may expand the abilities of robot minds.

"It's endless," says physicist Robert Bartolini. "We've seen the electronics revolution. . . . But light — it's the ultimate source of energy, and we're just starting to use it.

Lasers carry millions of voices and pictures over slender cables, snake into arteries and blast away blockages, and change a film of carbon into a diamond film.

They detect lobsters prowling the ocean floor, blow away tattoos, correct eye lenses, remove cataracts, kill cancers.

They clock speeders in spite of radar detectors. They create three-dimensional pictures of museum artifacts so realistic that thieves thought they were the real thing.

Among lesser exploits of lasers: they sort blueberries and peel potatoes.

It has been less than a third of a century since the laser was invented, based on findings about energy and matter by James Maxwell in the 1800s and Albert Einstein in the early 1900s.

Thomas Edison recognized that electrical energy passed through a tungsten filament would generate light — photons or light particles, flying off randomly.

Einstein recognized that matter could give off light in another way — coherent light, pure light, a disciplined march of photons.

He laid down the mathematics of the laser, in which electrically excited atoms in a crystal or gas emit photons of uniform wavelength; these are amplified by being reflected back and forth between mirrors, then are emitted as straight-line beams of potentially great intensity.

When Theodore Harold Maiman turned on his ruby laser in May, 1960, he sent out a beam of red coherent light, the product of excited chromium atoms, that illuminated new prospects for humanity.

"In science, there is what is called the existence principle," says Bartolini, laser physicist with the David Sarnoff Research Centre.

"That is, once somebody has done something, all of a sudden it makes every other scientist smarter. Because up to that point, in the backs of their minds is the thought that maybe it can't be done."

Suddenly, lasers were everywhere. Laser stands for light amplification by the stimulated emission of radiation. Bartolini notes that the amplification is really an oscillation.

"The old joke goes that if you called it a light oscillator, the acronym would come out loser, and nobody would have worked on it."

Two years after Maiman's breakthrough came the semiconductor diode laser, reducing the light source to the size of a transistor.

"So," says Bartolini, "a little tiny speck you couldn't see with the naked eye is the laser that is in the compact disc player, in your fibre-optic transmissions."

Maiman, who produced the laser almost against the will of managers at Hughes Research in Malibu, Calif., now is a consultant. One of his projects is advising a firm that shows surgeons how lasers can enhance their work.

Laser surgery is bloodless, cauterizing as it cuts. It is self-sterilizing and does less damage than blades to bodily tissues, shortening recovery time.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration recently approved the first laser that clears clogged arteries by vaporizing blockages. Clinical studies showed a 91 per cent success rate.

A urologist told Maiman that a procedure to remove a urinary tract cancer used to require two days in hospital. "Now he tells his patients not to put more than 25 cents in the parking meter," Maiman says.

"You come in and it's a little 15-minute deal and you go back to your car and drive away."

In some cases, surgery can be avoided. An ulcer can be cauterized by snaking a fibre-optic laser beam to the spot via the esophagus. The same goes for the colon: a half-hour of discomfort, but no incision.

One of the most dramatic, if still experimental, procedures is photodynamic therapy, or PDT.

"You inject a patient with a certain dye," Maiman says. "The dye circulates in the body and in about 48 hours it tends to accumulate preferentially in cancer cells."

Under a laser light the dye decomposes rapidly, emitting a reactive form of oxygen which then kills cancerous cells.

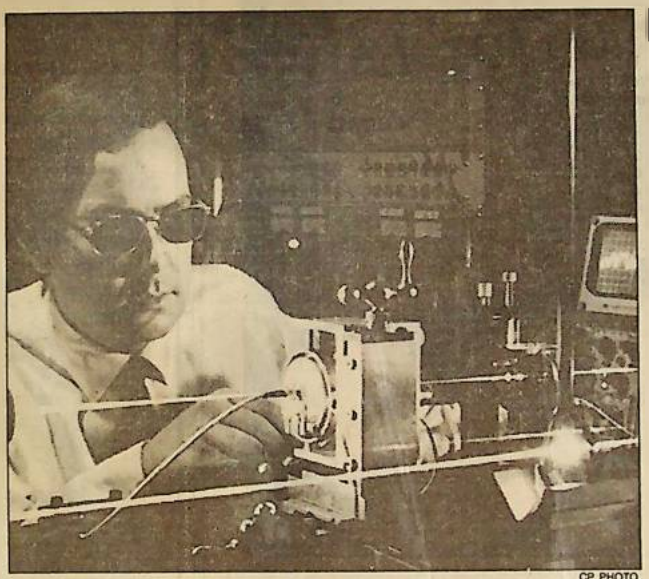
Says Maiman: "For a while we talked about the laser being a solution in search of a problem. I did a talk some years back and I titled it: 'Problems Found.'"

Of course, the laser's great shortcoming is obvious: although laser technology guides bombs and artillery shells, the laser has failed as a death ray.

It is possible to build a laser that can kill — even kill a missile. But despite Star Wars research, power-supply considerations have rendered such a weapon impractical.

Maiman says he knows of no one who, even by accident, has been killed by a laser.

"The so-called death ray didn't really come to pass. It turned out to be a healing ray instead."



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ON THE BEAM: A Bell Telephone technician adjusts one of the first laser test devices, an optical modulator, in the early 1960s.

Versatile laser

Of all the inventions in this invention-rich century, none is as versatile as the laser. Some uses for the laser:

Military
Guides smart bombs to targets

Communication
Carries voices and pictures over fibre-optic cables

Entertainment
Reads digital information and turns it into music

Law enforcement
Clocks drivers breaking speed limits

Medical
Removes tattoos and cataracts, treats cancer

Retail
Reads price codes in a blink

Manufacturing
Guides robots to cut down errors in production lines

Mary Burns

March 14, 1993

Rod Dawson joins The Guide

Rod Dawson, long time resident of Tamworth, will now cover the communities of Marlbank, Erinsville, Tamworth and Enterprise, for the *Weekly Guide*.

Dawson is an experienced writer, photographer, speaker and communications consultant. Publishing credits include The Toronto Star, Ottawa Citizen, Kingston Whig Standard, Napanee Beaver, magazines and other journals.

He has awards for investigative journalism, environmental writing, news and sports at national, provincial and community levels.

Moving from Toronto to Tamworth in the summer of 1974 with his wife, Kathleen, and two of his three daughters, he has never regretted the change from big city life to rural Ontario.

When they moved to Tamworth, their eldest daughter had already finished school and was living on her own. Their two younger daughters graduated from Napanee District Secondary School.

Married 39 years, Rod and Kathleen have travelled extensively in Canada, from Newfoundland to British Columbia.

Mrs. Dawson was diagnosed in January of 1980 with a rare and serious liver condition called Primary Biliary Cirrhosis (PBC).

PBC is of unknown cause, but believed to be an autoimmune condition. Over the past 12 years, she has built a patient support group that embraces people in 13 countries.

Moral and financial encouragement has come from the Land O'Lakes Lions Club in Northbrook, which this year celebrates its 25th anniversary.

A teacher when he came to Tamworth, Dawson left full time teaching but continues to keep in practice by lecturing at various locations. He has lectured at Sir Sandford Fleming College, McMaster University, University of Alberta, as well as to professional and student writers in Toronto, Ottawa and elsewhere.

He is currently giving a series of lectures on travel writing and photography at Loyalist College in Belleville.

As I once again begin writing for a community paper, I confess, I have missed getting out and about, doing stories on the good people, good events and good places in the community.

To those who tell me they miss the coverage we used to get, I say let's get together and start talking in print. Good community coverage depends on good community cooperation.

I can't spend seven days a week drinking coffee at the Community Information Centre (that's Kathee's (sic) Corner store coffee bar, for those who don't know), the restaurant, the Devon Tea Room or the pizza palace, hoping for great tales of derring-do.

How can you get the news you want in the paper? There is never any guarantee but it helps if you let me know what you want. And let me know in sufficient time to do something about it.

It's far better to phone or hand me a note of upcoming events than to holler something to me as I pass through town on my way to Kingston, Belleville, Vancouver, Toronto or where ever.

If you phone and I'm out, please leave a message on my answering machine. Let me know what's going on with your business, service club, school, church, organization, your friends and family, especially if you see a U.F.O.

Please call me, Rod Dawson, at 379-2534, and if I'm not at home, leave a message on my answering machine.

Satomi Torazawa brings her culture to Napanee

Satomi Torazawa is a long way from home.

Mrs. Torazawa arrived in Napanee from Japan a few weeks ago, as part of the International Internship Program (IIP).

She will be spending the next three months working with the children and teachers at H.H. Langford Public School.

Her role here will be to offer the children an opportunity to learn more about Japan — it's people and culture.

The IIP is an organization designed to improve cross-cultural understanding by sponsoring professional exchanges between Japan and many other countries, including Canada.

Ron Doll, principal of H.H. Langford, arranged for Mrs. Torazawa's visit.

"This is the second year we have had a Japanese visitor at our school," he explained.

"I had been involved in this program some years ago, as well," he said, "when I was at The Prince Charles School, and I have found everyone benefits from this type of exchange.

"We at H.H. Langford get a new staff resource person who can share with us and the students their language, culture, and even some of their history, geography, art and the special traditions that make them unique.

"This program fits in beautifully with our efforts to teach children about other races and cultures," he said.

In turn, Mrs. Torazawa and others in the program, get the opportunity to improve their English language skills, and learn a little about our culture, while gaining some valuable hands-on experience.

Mrs. Torazawa has already begun working with the various classes in the school.

"She will visit with each class at least once, if not more often, during her time here," said Mr. Doll.

Mrs. Torazawa has also been invited to visit the public schools in Selby and Enterprise while she is here.

Mrs. Torazawa's visit to Napanee does not cost either the school or the Board of Education any money. "The costs are covered by the IIP program, and in many cases, the intern brings a number of necessary supplies along with them."

According to Heather Baker, a Learning Resources Teacher at H.H. Langford, the school spent quite a bit of time preparing for Mrs. Torazawa's visit. "We looked for literature and novels that related to Japan," she said, "to help prepare the children in advance.

"And since we had a Japanese visitor last year as well, the children were excited about Satomi's visit."

In order to take part in the program, Mrs. Torazawa had to make some personal sacrifices.

"In my country, you are not able to take extended holidays from work," she said. "To come here for three months, I had to quit my job."

She also had to leave her husband behind in Japan.

"We write a lot," she said, "and he calls about once every two weeks."

Mrs. Torazawa is also looking forward to the opportunity of learning more about our part of the world, beyond the walls of H.H. Langford school.

"Interns" in the program live with a family in the community. "The host family is encouraged to treat the person as a member of the family," said Mr. Doll. "They are expected to help out around the house, and contribute to the family."

Mrs. Torazawa is living with Mark Baker and his family in North Fredericksburgh.

"They are a Langford school family, and own a dairy farm," said Mr. Doll. "They kindly offered to welcome Satomi into their home."

"I am enjoying living on a farm," said Mrs. Torazawa. "There are cows, rabbits, dogs and cats, and I like that. The Bakers are very kind to me and have made me feel part of their family."

Apart from meeting with people in Napanee, Mrs. Torazawa hopes to do some travelling while here.

She would like to visit Ottawa, Montreal and Quebec City, before returning to Japan on January 20.

Satomi Torazawa shows off some samples of Japanese calligraphy she will be teaching to children at H.H.Langford Public School in Napanee. Mrs. Torazawa is here as part of an international internship exchange program. She will be in Napanee for three months, and will be working with both the students and teachers at Langford.

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'Open house' makes life easier for those with disabilities

By SARAH MACWHIRTER
Whig-Standard Staff Writer

Usually, an open house means an open door, friends, wine and cheese and music in the background.

But to the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation, an open house means that much more than the front door is "open." Their concept includes wider doorways and hallways, adjustable shelves and cupboards and materials that reduce indoor air pollution.

Other features include a wheelchair-accessible crib, carpets made of 100-per-cent unbleached cotton (which doesn't release harmful emissions), recycling bins and laundry hampers on wheels, contrasting colors for better visibility at door and wall edges, toilets that don't require toilet paper and a smoke detector with a large strobe light for people with hearing limitations.

These are only a few of the design suggestions contained in the model "open" house that was on display at the Portsmouth Olympic Harbour yesterday.

The house is the result of a meeting of minds of various people, including architects, people with handicaps, occupational therapists, house designers and researchers, said Kathy McNeely, a business development officer at the Kingston office of the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

The demonstration home was designed to address four areas of disability: mobility disabilities; sight impairments; hearing limitations; and environmental sensitivities.

Mrs. McNeely said the idea was to put some things into the house that would maintain people's independence.

She stressed that the ideas are not only for people with disabilities but for homeowners and builders alike to prepare for the future.

"As we age," she said, "the house is there with innovations built in already."

Many of the innovations consist simply of convenient items that are available at department stores, Mrs. McNeely said. Other innovations are specifically for people in wheelchairs.

Debbie Hill uses crutches, a wheelchair and a scooter.

"I would hope that people that are building would think about the innovations in the model home so that when they make a house that is 'accessible' it really is accessible," she said.

Ms. Hill said that often builders eliminate certain features to make a home more accessible, but forget to modify the surroundings to make up for what they took out.

"It might be that someone who is building needs to spend a day in a wheelchair. Hopefully [the model home] will open some eyes in terms of building," she said.

Ms. Hill added that she thinks the home will help to eliminate some of the myths people have about people with handicaps and their lifestyles.

SPORTS

Lions Club scrapes up added funds for Tamworth Arena Olympian unit

1992-1993

By Jim Sarazin
Staff Reporter

Nine hockey banners hang prominently from the rafters at the Tamworth Arena, depicting the outstanding achievements of teams from this community over the years.

There's also two major titles, back-to-back OMHA midget championships over the past two seasons, yet to be tacked on to the collection above centre ice.

This is a hockey town — and when an ice battle takes place, everyone from the village is usually crammed somewhere inside the arena.

Now, thanks to the Tamworth and District Lions Club, a new Olympian machine will provide consultants with the best playing conditions possible.

And these 1992 ice resurfacing units don't come cheap. How's $37,000 a pop?

Spearheading the arena's newest addition, was the 20-member Lions club, which had some money kicking around in the kitty for such a community endeavor.

"It was first brought up at one of our regular meetings in January," said Lions Club second vice president Ray McLaughlin, who also was the Olympian chairman.

In May, the chapter decided to go-ahead with the project and replace an older dilapidated model.

"It was an antique which Napanee through away in the early 1970's," said McLaughlin.

Besides continual repair costs, the older version "couldn't keep the ice level," added the chairman.

In selecting the expensive model from the Olympian company in Elmira, Ont., the ice machine rolled off the flatbed truck this past Thursday at the Tamworth Arena. Mclaughlin also described an environmentally friendly touch as well.

"We'll be getting away from diesel fumes," said the chairman. "This one runs on propane and there's no fumes at all."

What sped up the early delivery of the giant ice-scraper was a neat financial arrangement between the Lions Club and the combined townships of Sheffield and Camden East.

McLaughlin said the club had the $10,000 and through bridge financing will spread the balance of $27,000 over five years.

Both townships will share the added taxes.

Lions to the rescue — Members of the Tamworth Lions Club welcomed in their new ice resurfacing unit during a special celebration last Thursday at the local arena. Members of the handshakes (from left to right) Sheffield Reeve Robert Craig, Camden East Reeve Duane Williams, Arena board chairman Eric Smith, and Lion's representatives Ray McLaughlin, George Downing and Charlie Poirier.

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Sheffield-Camden Community Centre to undergo major, needed renovations

The Sheffield-Camden Community Centre is destined to have a make over, with a little help from its patrons.

Following a joint meeting between the townships of Camden East and Sheffield last month, the Sheffield-Camden Community Centre Board has been given the green light to proceed with fundraising and preliminary planning for major renovations.

The proposed upgrading answers a concern about the aging roof structure above the ice surface, which was originally constructed in 1952, and may not continue to meet requirements of the Ontario Building Code.

Action should be initiated soon, board officials say. The roof is due for its bi-yearly inspection by the Ministry of Labor this spring, however, officials hope a new facility will be started before the 1994 inspection date arrives.

This major renovation project represents an opportunity to assess and accommodate the needs of all potential user groups within the area, the board recognizes. They plan to launch a planning and public consultation process to solicit input and ideas from the community, which will be incorporated during the design stages of the project.

The estimated maximum cost of the renovation is $650,000. A more accurate costing will become available as the final building design unfolds.

Both participating councils are hopeful the provincial and federal governments will provide financial assistance. However, a strong local fundraising effort is also expected.

To meet this challenge, a fundraising co-ordinator in both townships will be appointed shortly to organize and direct the local campaigns.

The Sheffield-Camden Community Centre has served its communities well over the past 22 years. Thousands of people of all ages have used the facility for hockey, curling, public skating, figure skating, broomball, receptions, business meetings and dances.

With completion of the proposed renovation, the board hopes to protect such uses and to expand on a year-round basis, programs to meet other cultural and recreational needs within the townships of Sheffield, Camden East and vicinity.

Anyone wishing to participate in fundraising or who may have ideas to share with the co-ordinators are urged to call either municipal office — Camden East 378-2475 or Sheffield 379-2923.

Community centre project is on target

By Julie White
Beaver Staff Reporter

With great thanks to many volunteers, a JobsOntario grant and the combined efforts of two townships, Eric Smith says the Sheffield-Camden Community Centre is right on schedule.

And provided there aren't any major problems, the facility's 700-plus users will find themselves in a first-class building the first week of December.

"We're right on schedule," Smith, chairman of the fundraising committee, said.

On Thursday, Kingston, Frontenac, Addington MPP Fred Wilson officially presented JobsOntario community action funding for the renovation project, which equates to 50 per cent of the project costs, to an upset limit of $900,000.

In January 1992, planning for the renovation project began. An application for funding was submitted in June and last month the community centre board received word of the approval.

"We had very little time between June and August to formulate and close the deal," Wilson said at the ceremony. "This is a very, very important occasion to show how things can click when two levels of government cooperate within a project."

Originally built in 1952 by the community, using volunteer labor, equipment and monetary donations — the centre still has a local emphasis, with tenders being called and local business and labor urged to participate.

In 1971, an artificial ice surface was installed at the Sheffield-Camden Community Centre. During 1975, the structure was strengthened to meet ministry of labor requirements and has continually required adjustments to maintain a safe standard.

Major renovations were completed in 1985 which included the addition of a mechanical room, concrete floors, a community hall and changeroom facilities.

Composed of a wood structure with metal siding, the building was uninsulated, resulting in various problems and setbacks for community users and facility operations. It was felt the aging building posed an increasing hazard.

Due to the lack of insulation, the winter sport season is shortened and local users are disadvantaged in comparison to large, urban communities. Summer use is extremely uncomfortable because of poor ventilation and excessive temperatures.

The project entails replacement of the wooden structure, with the exception of the 1985 addition, with a multi-use facility. This facility will allow the extension of the current programs and the expansion into new programming.

In the past, the arena has been used for broomball, figure skating, minor hockey, gentlemen's hockey, curling and learn to skate programs, Maureen Gaffney said.

And with the ice on its way, minor hockey registration for the arena is scheduled for Sept. 11, 12, 18 and 19 at the Centreville Hall (check the ad in this edition for details.)

Smith urges anyone willing to make a donation to contact the board and to support the many fundraising activities which have been planned to defray costs for the community facility.

Building the Tamworth arena was a community effort

It was time for a new building, and recreation users in the Sheffield-Camden area couldn't be happier now that their new arena is finally opened in Tamworth.

"We were at the point where we were constantly being inspected, and we didn't want to wait until we got shut down, so we started planning the new arena about two years ago, " says Eric Smith, chairman of the recreation committee responsible for the new arena.

The building is almost completely new, and has been completed with a lot of help from local residents and the aid of a grant from *jobsOntario*.

Fundraising for the project began in May 1992, and Mr. Smith says it has been a real community effort with residents and businesses getting involved.

Various events have been held ranging from baseball tournaments to raffles to pig roasts.

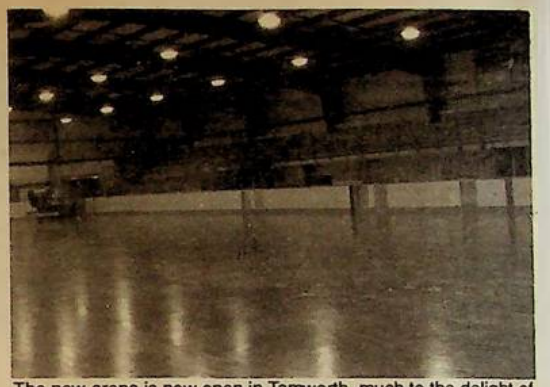
"We've done a lot of work, but it has been some fun, and brought the communities of Sheffield and Camden townships together."

Although the interior of the building is not complete, the ice surface was completed by December 27 and a hockey tournament was held December 28 which Mr. Smith called "our kick in day".

Ice rentals can be arranged for weekend hours, but during the day, the building will be closed to allow workman to complete their tasks.

There will be an official opening sometime in April, Mr. Smith speculates, to mark the end of the project.

"The committee has worked very hard, and has given me a lot of support," mr. Smith notes. "This is a very fine facility which we can all be proud of."



The new arena is now open in Tamworth, much to the delight of the many residents and business people who have worked so hard to see the project to completion. A hockey tournament was held in the new building this past week.

The winners of the first curling bonspiel held at the new Sheffield-Camden Recreation Centre are the team of Norm Bradshaw, Norm Saunders, and Joanne and Dan Hinchey.

Bradshaw's team takes title

The first Bonspiel in the refurbished Sheffield-Camden Recreation Centre took place on Saturday, February 5, and by all accounts, it's the best ice ever for curling in Tamworth.

Sheets one and five, notorious for being under the drip line in the old structure, are just fine now, thank you very much.

Arlene Bradshaw was a spectator this year while husband Gary and son Norman skipped teams.

Arlene and husband Gary were part of 20 couples who got together in 1959, purchased stones, and with natural ice, began the curling in Tamworth.

Another spectator looking fit and fine was Edward Keech who will be celebrating his 90th birthday on June 3, next.

Winning first place this year was the team skipped by Norman Bradshaw.

Norm Saunders from Enterprise was his lead, with Dan and Joanne Hinchey second and third respectively.

The young lion cub challenges and takes over from the old lion.

Norm's dad, Gary, a curler of considerable note, placed ninth in this year's spiel.

It was not an easy win for Norm Bradshaw's rink.

When regulation play was over, Norm and Judy Holden threw an extra rock to break a tie.

Great sport when competition is this close and this friendly.

The second place team was a family effort skipped by Judy Holden and included Tammy Norma plus Doreen and Bob Holden.

Teams ranked in order from third to tenth were skipped by Vern Coburn, Dave Hansen (Picton), Allen Stott (Picton), Andy Graham, (Napanee), Less Kerr (Napanee), Doug Gillis, Gary Bradshaw and finally Terry O'Neill from Napanee.

Coming up in March is the Farmer's Bonspiel and that by tradition makes for a great day.

For details contact Wray McLaughlin at 358-5188 or any of the curlers in Tamworth.

Kids play in new arena

Are these young hockey players cheering for a goal, or for the wonderful new Tamworth arena?

Rod Dawson, our mid-county correspondent, has filed the following sports report:

The Sheffield/Camden Bantam OMHA hockey tournament took place on Tuesday, December 28, the first event in the newly rebuilt recreation facility in Tamworth.

The arena area is a great improvement over previous facilities. Even with the minus 20 or more temperatures, the arena, while not warm, was certainly more tolerable than the old, drafty, metal clad building.

The building is not totally finished, but visitors are pleased with the more modern facilities.

In the first game of the day, at 8 a.m., Tamworth edged Deseronto Bulldogs 5 - 4.

Tamworth went on to the final in the A Division while Deseronto went on to the final in the B Division.

In the next initial games, Havelock defeated Trenton Selects, 2 - 1; Tweed took Trenton Golden Hawks "B", 3 - 1; and Keene dominated the Prince Edward County Kings, 5 - 1.

On the B side of the tournament, the Deseronto Bulldogs eliminated Trenton Selects with a 5 - zip game. Trenton Golden Hawks trounced the County Kings, 5 - 1, and earned a spot in the B Division finals.

Lots of action in the B division finals but no points until, with 2:02 left in the second, Kenny Paynter netted the puck, assisted by Ben Green and Luke Follwell.

One minute later, Martin Kennelly made it 2 - 0, Joey Brant earning an assist.

In the third, Brian Brant scored twice, assisted in each case by Ben Green and the Deseronto players, after a long day of hockey, went home B Division Champs.

In the Tamworth route to the A finals, they first defeated Havelock, 6 - 1. Tweed eliminated Keene, 5 - 1.

Going for the A trophy, it was quite a contest between Tamworth and Tweed.

Tweed scored in the first eight seconds of play, but Tamworth cam back with a goal by Andy Slack, Darren Dillon and Paul Gaffney assisting, and two goals by Tim Huffman with David Allore and Jamie Hinchey each getting an assist. Kale Murphy earned two assists.

Tamworth had a 3 - 1 lead, after one period of play.

Penalties hurt Tamworth after the first period, and they often had only three players, to Tweed's five.

With 7:39 left in the second, Tweed scored to pull within a point of Tamworth.

With a great unassisted effort, Tim Huffman gave Tamworth a 4 - 2 lead.

Tweed scored twice more in the second to tie the game, 4 - 4 and when the bell sounded to end regulation time, the game was still tied.

In a shoot out to break the tie, both Tamworth and Tweed had two goals after four shots. In the fifth and deciding shot, Tweed scored, Tamworth did not, so Tweed took the A Championship trophy on the last shot of the game.

It was a well played tournament, with good sportsmanship from all the players, coaches and officials.

Fine entertainment for all who participated, either on the ice, behind the bench, or as spectators.

Sex and wife assault often undiagnosed by health professionals: Doctor

By Alan Capon
Whig-Standard Staff Writer

INCIDENTS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT AND wife assault are often undiagnosed or misdiagnosed by health professionals and Tamworth physician Dr. Sandra Cowan says she had been in practice seven years before she came across her first case of the sexual abuse of a child.

Realizing that she had little training in the field of abuse, she attended a Women in Therapy Conference in Toronto and heard speakers talk on incest.

Cowan: speaking out

SHOCKED TO THE ROOTS

"What I heard that day shocked me to the roots," she told 250 senior secondary school family studies students from 15 area schools who were attending Insight '93, a conference organized by Jane Pratt of Ernestown Secondary School and Heather Spicer of Napanee and District Secondary School for the Lennox and Addington County Board of Education.

Sexual abuse and wife assault is epidemic in today's society, Dr. Cowan said. "Violence against women and children are not isolated acts."

Her new awareness of wife and sexual assault has led her to speak openly on the subject, whenever possible.

"I began to tell my peers what was happening and urged them to listen and I told them of my horror, outrage and shock at what I found was going on."

For many years now, Dr. Cowan has taken every opportunity she can to publicize the facts about abuse. The majority of abusers are men – 95 per cent, according to studies. One out of three females face some abuse, and one out of five men.

"And the trauma does not end when the abuse stops," she said. "It has a long-term effect. The victims often suffer from low esteem - they have a feeling of powerlessness." They may blame themselves for the abuse, endure physical problems and sleep disturbances and frequently suffer from eating disorders.

Abused children have had their childhood stolen from them, she said.

While a single, traumatic rape can occur anywhere, repeated traumas can only happen in captivity.

POLITICAL PRISONERS

"The captivity of women and children in our society is little recognized," she said. "It is similar to that of political prisoners."

The parallel with political prisoners is that children who are abused or women who are in a battery relationship face similar conditioning from their abusers: violence or the threat of violence; control of their bodily functions which breaks down their autonomy; a method of intermittant rewards to make the victim feel the abuser is the provider of good things; isolation (where incest is involved the victim is usually socially isolated); and degradation (to induce self-loathing).

MANY ABUSERS WERE ABUSED

Dr. Cowan said both men and women are victims of a patriarchal society and many of the men who abuse were themselves abused as boys.

She told the students she was unable to say whether more sexual abuse existed today than in the past when it wasn't talked about.

"But there is more violence in society, such as fighting in schools," she said.

She blamed this in part on the media, particularly movies depicting violence.

"Women are violated in so many ways in movies that we don't even notice it any more," she said.

Speaking to the young men in her audience, Dr. Cowan said they would have the responsibility to make a better world.

"I feel very hopeful about this. Most men are good and most men are not offenders...women don't have the power to change this alone."

And we can change our culture by speaking out, she said. "You have voices. The possibility of change lies in all of us."

Also addressing the students at the seventh annual conference was Dr. Ben Schlesinger, who teaches family studies at the University of Toronto.

Many changes have taken place in the families of the '90s, he said

In 1991:

- 54 per cent of the the 20-29 age group was still single.
- 1,451,900 Canadians lived "common-law" (64 per cent were never married, 7 per cent were separated, 3 per cent widowed, 26 per cent divorced)
- Common-law (cohabitation) couples represent 11.5 per cent of all Canadian couples.
- Among women aged 20-24 years, 65 per cent were single.
- Among men aged 20-24 years, 82 percent were single.
- 77 per cent of all families were in married unions
- There were 6.4 marriages for every 1000 Canadians in 1991, a drop of 9.9 per cent from 1990.

Raising public awareness and much needed funds

The Napanee Branch of the Canadian Diabetes Association has a strong membership of 100 community residents. And many of them will be "taking to the streets" over the next few weeks, as part of the Association's annual appeal.

Howard Bell is president of the Napanee branch, and Bob Vrooman is the Annual Appeal chairperson this year.

Maureen Dowling serves as Communications chairperson.

Mrs. Dowling has been active with the Association since it began in our area, many years ago.

Like so many other members of the branch, Mrs. Dowling has a very personal reason for her involvement.

"I have been a diabetic since I was just six-years-old," she explains. "Many of our members are diabetic, or are related to someone who is. But there are some members who are involved just because they want to help out."

According to Mrs. Dowling, diabetes is a condition where the body cannot properly use the glucose it gets from food to produce energy, because there is either no insulin or not enough insulin being produced by the pancreas.

There are two types of diabetes.

Maureen Dowling

Juvenile diabetes is found in the under-40 age group. These people are usually insulin dependent, and need to follow a strict regime of good diet and exercise.

Mature onset diabetics usually control their diabetes with a combination of good diet, exercise, and sometimes need medication.

"No matter what form of diabetes a person develops, diet and exercise are very important factors in their well being," said Mrs. Dowling.

The members meet three or four times a year, for general meetings.

"Our annual appeal month is in November," she explained, "although some of our canvassers may begin their door to door routes this week, to try and beat the wintery weather.

"We will have members canvassing all of Napanee and the surrounding areas," explained Mrs. Dowling, "including Deseronto, Camden East, and Yarker.

Our objective for this year's campaign is $9,000."

In addition to their annual appeal, the Canadian Diabetes Association holds a sweepstakes in May of each year. "The prizes are wonderful," said Mrs. Dowling. "Last year we had cars and vacations up for grabs. It is a national campaign, but we have had winners in the past from around our own community."

The Branch also raises money through bingos, held at the Bingo Tyme Hall in Napanee. "We have about six bingos a year," she said, "and the money we raise is used to keep our office open."

The office of the Napanee Branch is located in the Richmond Medical Pharmacy, on Bridge Street. "It is the perfect spot for us," said Mrs. Dowling. "We are right next door to the Richmond Medical Centre, and across the street from the hospital.

"It makes it very handy for people needing information."

The office is open weekdays from 9 a.m. until 12 noon, and is staffed by Kate Harrison.

Tammy Punchard writes the Branch newsletter, "Flame of Hope". It is issued quarterly and is mailed to members. "We also leave copies in medical offices and the hospital," said Mrs. Punchard.

"It features news and information for members, and we often include a recipe."

Mrs. Punchard also knows a great deal about diabetes. She was diagnosed in July, 1991.

"I have a three-year-old, and a 10-month-old baby," she explained. "Going through pregnancy with diabetes means you have to make sure you keep your blood sugars under control. And diabetics often have large babies," she explained. "I was fortunate I had great medical care — both pre-natal and throughout my pregnancy — and managed just fine."

Along with Mrs. Punchard's newsletter, the group gets their message out by sending members out in to the community to speak to groups and organizations.

"It has been said that over a million Canadians have diabetes," said Mrs. Dowling, "and only half of them know it."

"We see our role in the community as one of heightening public awareness, and working as an advocacy group for people who have diabetes," said Mrs. Dowling.

She, and the other members of the Branch, share an optimistic outlook.

"When I think back to how things were when I was diagnosed as a young child, I am amazed at how far technology and treatments have come.

"It makes us believe there will be further advances, and that a cure will be found.

"Our efforts are working," she said," and that encourages us to carry on."

If you would like further information on the Napanee Branch, please call their office at 354-6788.

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Country Life

Loving the life of a country doctor

She knew she wanted to be a doctor from the time she was seven years old, and Dr. Joanna McDonald says being in the practice at the Tamworth Medical Centre has made that dream a reality.

"I have to admit that when I finished my family medicine residency at Queen's and was called by Sandra, (Dr. Sandra Cowan who started the practice in Tamworth in 1976), I didn't even know where this place was."

Being in a small country practice and being part of family-oriented medicine was exactly what Dr. McDonald says she was looking for, but she didn't expect to find it so quickly. She was interviewed by Dr. Cowan and her partner Dr. Laing McFazdean in January, and joined the practice in July.

While she may have lived in Kingston for her residency, and did the rest of her training in London, Ontario, Dr. McDonald is not new to small town life. She spent her childhood in the Caribbean islands where her parents were stationed for their work with Transworld Radio.

"I always wanted something that combines the people stuff with science, so I find being a doctor to be the perfect mix of the two."

Returning to Canada, and coming to this part of Ontario really felt like home, and while she is aware of some of the pitfalls of living among her patients, Dr. McDonald says she loves being a country doctor.

"I think at least half of the thrust being taught in family medicine now is to look for underlying reasons for physical problems, and if you can really get to know your patients, as we can in this practice, then that is beneficial not only for the patient, but for the health care system at large."

She notes that may sound trivial, but it hasn't been done traditionally, and is a new way of thinking for many doctors.

"Science can only do so much, and you may have a huge commitment in both time and money. If you get to know the person, then you can look at other things that may work, other than medicine."

Drs. Cowan and McFazdean are very much in agreement with this philosophy, Dr. McDonald says, which makes the practice an easy one to work in.

There are five other staff members at the clinic, and Dr. McDonald notes everyone gets along really well.

"I think it's because we share the same way of thinking."

The practice moved to its present location—in a woodsy setting outside of the village in 1983, and it serves patients from a very wide geographic area.

"Some of them used to live here and still come back, but the doctors have a very good reputation," says office manager Cheryl Steele. She has been with the practice for 15 years, and has seen it go through a lot of changes, both in location and staff.

She says there are a lot of summer patients--people who have cottages, or come to holiday in the area.

"I think one of the best things people like is knowing there are three doctors here who can treat every member of the family--whether they want to see a male or female physician, and they come back year after year."

Dr. Joanna McDonald

Treating the whole person, and knowing the family is what family medicine is all about, Dr. McDonald says, and she feels very fortunate to find herself exactly where she wanted to be when she thought about being a doctor when she was a little girl.

Dr. McDonald succeeded Dr. Sosnowski, who moved to Napanee. A history of the doctors who have served our community can be found in Volume 2 of our Twinsdemuir History.

Learning about our past enriches our identities

Some of the unexpected rewards of preparing this column are to tell about similar incidents. These accounts strengthen the proposition that history is a lively subject.

Here's History

Norman Bell

It offers much to those caring enough to open their eyes.

Our county history is made from a pastiche of local events, interworking happenings, which sometimes find their way into our record books. Often their importance is noted only in retrospect.

Reader Morrison Scott of Morven is a well-known local citizen. He has been active in municipal affairs, Adult Education and Agricultural Associations of various kinds, over a lifetime spent as a successful farmer in this County. Now a very senior citizen, he was moved to write about local feats of strength and other things noted in a recent column.

He wisely suggests that strengths needed for life on the farm include not only the physical, but mental and moral strengths as well.

He told of his grandmother Flemming, who, after raising 11 children from infancy, lost four of her five sons through tuberculosis. On the positive side, all the girls survived, married and all counted, produced 29 children.

Stories like these dramatically recall that almost forgotten age of life threatening diseases existing just a generation or so ago.

Maladies which lurked just outside the boundaries of good health, waiting to claim those with less than strong powers of resistance. Tuberculosis, diphtheria, pneumonia, smallpox, tetanus, cholera, and many more were deadly enemies against which there was no known protection.

Almost every family experienced losses from them, and most accepted them with passive submission as part of life's mystery.

To others, they formed a sort of challenge, something to be met, defied and overcome along the road to ambition's end.

Small wonder religious beliefs were stronger then, if they offered the only hope of deliverance from such widespread terrors.

Small wonder too that alcohol was consumed prodigiously by some who sought oblivion from pain and loss incurred by them. These too were reasons why medicinal quacks flourished, patented medicines abounded, and local home remedies were sought out as alternatives of either first or last resort.

Careers were chosen, choices made, and decisions effected, all in the light of unpredictable health and life spans

It follows that understanding our local history is easier, and more interesting, when we know the social climate in which it developed.

In our ancestors' times, careers were chosen, choices made, decisions effected all in the light of unpredictable health and life spans.

Pious people often included the initials "D.V." in their plans or intentions. They stood for "Deo Volente" or "God Willing." They reflected the real uncertainties of life, which was part and parcel of our elders' existence. They also were uttered perhaps as acknowledgement that no mortal should presume to plan too much or too far into an uncertain future.

Did this make for a more dynamic society?

Risk-taking raises the adrenalin and rouses the spirit. When life spans were shorter and death commonplace, was it feared less?

Did youths fling themselves into high risk adventures and situations in the hope of more immediate rewards?

Did they take chances which would not be considered today? Did they take such chances because there was much to gain and little to lose? Was this, in fact, the essence of our pioneer spirit?

These are questions to ponder when we search our family history. Fortunately, research is easy. Its first step is called "visiting."

Over the holiday, pull the plug on your VCR and call on great Aunt Minnie instead. Ask her about her folks and yours. Ask to see any old photos she may have. Are they identified? Can they be?

Inquire about the reasons your ancestors moved or emigrated or whatever. You may discover some scandal in the process. That lends spice.

As you unearth each fact or examine each photo dig a little. Find out the "why's."

When was the picture taken? Where? Why was it taken? What happened to the people in it? Where did they live? What religion or faith did they follow? What were their politics?

Great Aunt Minnie may not have a clue, but she may steer you towards someone who knows a little more.

As the quest continues, you will cause a number of good things to happen. You may find depths to your relatives you may not have known were there. You will establish yourself in Aunt Minnie's eyes as a person of unsuspected worth and character. You may both find new things to like and admire in each other.

Finally, as you gradually unearth these clues to the characteristics of your ancestors, you will make an even more interesting discovery.

Your own enriched identity.

Submitted by the Lennox and Addington Historical Society.

Neighbors key to survival in Depression years

MEMORIES OF THE '30s
MARY COOK

Through necessity, our lives on the farm intertwined with those of our neighbours. Even though some were better off than others, survival depended on one another.

So one day every winter, the Briscoe's huge gas saw would be pulled into our yard. One by one a dozen farmers from the community would come, and the day would be spent cutting enough wood for our family to see us through the winter and on into the next fall.

Sleigh

The day broke bright and clear, and as my father drove the flat bottomed sleigh to the centre of the yard close to the large pile of logs awaiting the sawing machine, it was close to 12 below zero.

"It will be a cold day for the cutting" He had said at the breakfast table. But there was no thought of cancelling out... you took the machine and the gang of neighbours when it was your turn.

By eight o'clock the yard was full of familiar faces as Mr. Briscoe was starting the motor of the saw.

It gave a few snorts, coughed, and then purred like a kitten as the wide fifty-eight belt was singing out its tune and waiting for the first log. Four men worked the sleighs and two men cut logs and tossed them into an ever increasing heap. It would be the children's job to pile the pieces into neat rows in the back shed to be fed into the woodbox beside the stove in the kitchen whenever needed. The men worked well into the morning. The teamwork had greatly decreased the pile of uncut logs. It seemed to my mother that they would be finished by dinner... the noon meal. She was in the kitchen taking out fresh bread, basting the roast pork and peeling enough potatoes to fill the preserving kettle.

Accident

Then I saw the accident happen. My father was one of the men feeding the logs into the saw when a piece, carried by the force of the blade, caught in the belt and was fired through the air like a bullet, hitting my father in the jaw. My heart stopped beating as I saw him fall to the ground. Immediately, the motor was stopped, and the men were carrying him to one of the cars which a neighbor had already started, so fast did they move. Another neighbor, within seconds, had my mother in the car and I saw them speed out the lane to the hospital in town 12 miles away.

I recall standing outside, too stunned to cry, looking at the red snow and thinking I would probably never see my father again. One of the men brought me back into the house and told me to stay at the window where they could see me. They did the only thing they could do: they finished the job at hand.

Many hours later my mother was driven home from the hospital. The jaw was broken she said, but Father was going to be alright. Old Doctor Murphy said he would keep him in the hospital for a few days, but he would be as right as rain in no time.

As long as my father was recuperating, the neighboring farmers took turns coming over every day to do the chores and to check on our family.

There was Mr. Beam, a huge man with big flat hands. He would come into the house and slap those big hands together like the crash of two iron fry pans. "Everything alright?" he'd boom out. "Mind you, send one of the kids over if you need us, you hear?" It wasn't the first time we called on neighbours for help, and it wasn't to be the last.

Back then, neighbours, good weather, and genuine fortitude were all necessities of survival through those Depression years. And of those three, anyone who is a product of that time would agree, neighbours were the most important.

Smokehouse smells: badge of achievement

MEMORIES OF THE '30s
MARY COOK

The smokehouse was a separate little building which sat in our backyard on the farm, and it harbored the most wonderful smells which flowed through the door when we went inside.

The building was perhaps 14 by 14 feet square, made of wide cedar slabs, and from the four row of beams which crossed the peaked roof, our father hung great shanks of fresh hams and savory homemade sausages.

All around the inside of the little building there ran more cornhusks and big pieces of hickory wood which smouldered away day and night until the meat was cured and smoked just to exactly the right degree. The combination of smoke turned out the most delicious cured hams and sausages I have ever tasted.

Making the sausages, through, was not the most pleasant task of the '30s, and Mother always said that anyone who had to watch the preparations would certainly not have the stomach to eat the end product. However, by the time the sausages were ready for the table, we had long since forgotten the process.

Small sacrifice

The casings, which were simply the intestines of sheep, were vile smelling until they were washed with soap and water by mother in large white enamelled pans. I can remember a neighbor telling us that to wash the skins in this manner would spoil the taste, but that didn't stop mother from giving the miles of casings a good hot water and soap bath.

She would say, "I know where the skins have been and I know where they are going, and I don't mind one bit sacrificing a touch of the flavor for good clean casings."

The ground pork - huge mounds of it, perhaps 50 or 75 pounds - would be well salted and handsful of rubber summer savory that we grew in our own garden would be worked into the meat. A machine with a cone-like apparatus held one end of the casing, and, as the meat was processed through the machine, the casings would fill with the mixture.

Finishing touches

When my father thought the sausage was just the right length, he would twist it off the machine, break the casing, twist the long sausage to form a circle, and the two ends would be secured with a long hawthorn which held everything together.

Hawthorns were used because the fragile casing broke easily, and they seemed to work better than anything else.

When a big kitchen tray was full of the sausages, they were carried to the smokehouse, where the wood and husks inside would have been burning for many hours.

The sausages were hung from the beams, and they stayed there for several days, absorbing the heat and the hickory smoke. Big ham legs hung from hooks on the beams as well, but were cured longer, some up to seven or eight days depending on their size.

They were then moved to the back summer kitchen, where they were frozen by the natural elements of the winter, to be used as they were eaten, so they were especially smoky, and I always thought tasted better than the ones we did in the winter time.

To control the smoke in the building, my father would reach up to an odd, crooked little chimney which poked out of the roof of the smokehouse, and opened and closed the draft with a long pole.

Visiting a big treat

He was very particular about who went into the smokehouse. We younger children were not allowed in alone in case we left the door open and the precious smoke was allowed to escape.

But we often went in when my father did, mainly because we wanted to smell the hickory smoke from our clothes when we came out.

It was like a stamp of achievement to wear the smells of the smokehouse.

There is no doubt the process today is faster and more efficient. But as I think of getting the sausages and hams ready for the smoke house, I also remember the feeling of belonging to a close family, each one of us working as our abilities allowed, to contribute to the survival of those Depression years.

A part for all

We didn't just watch the making of the sausages and the getting ready of the hams: each of us had a part in the operation.

I gathered the thorns from the haw trees, my brother filled the smokehouse with the cornhusks and the hickory wood, my sister Audrey grounded the meat, and we all took turns rubbing the savory off the dried plants.

When the smokehouse was full to the brim as the result of our efforts, we all knew each one of us had contributed to the task.

Crafts, art and tea, where the five corners meet

In Tamworth, where five streets come together, is the Five Corners Craft Centre, owned by Buster and Monica Vermeulen.

They originally started the business because Mr. Vermeulen wanted to have his paintings in a gallery.

The original owner still had crafts and furniture and sold the paintings on the side.

Then they decided to make a go of it themselves. They offer crafts, ceramics, weaving and the art.

Mrs. Vermeulen explained that they then considered a tea room as a draw to bring people in.

They turned an apartment area attached to the shop into a tea room.

They began by offering tea, coffee and cakes.

Next came the decision that they might as well put on a simple soup and sandwich lunch.

It is the tea room, light and comfortable, that is Mrs. Vermeulen's. The placemats tell of different locations in Devon, England and one shows a street in Mrs. Vermeulen's home town of Tones.

They serve scones and cream and jam which is like tea-time in Devon.

Most of the meals are home made and they do try different items since there is no set menu.

Pat Nowoselsky runs the tea room and, according to Mrs. Vermeulen, has served a borscht that is delicious.

Often customers will get to sample Mrs. Vermeulen's specialty: Cornish pasties.

"You can't come and expect to get the same thing."

When they do an evening meal there is usually a roast or ham.

Business is improving and every year she has had more customers in the tea room. They have had them from Ottawa, a group of motorcyclists from Carleton Place and there has even been customers from Mrs. Vermeulen's home town in England.

This time of year they are winding down to when they close from January to May.

The craft room, under the managing talent of Darlene Szapira, will open again at the beginning of May while the tea room opens for Victoria Day.

Right now they are open Wednesdays to Saturdays for the giftshop and Thursday to Saturday for the tea room.

These are their "November" hours.

Mrs. Vermeulen asked that customers phone for the December hours. Starting on December 15 they will be open every day for the two weeks before Christmas.

"People also book us for Christmas dinners and parties," she added.

Compliments are often given to the craft centre on their products, the way that they are displayed.

Some artists have been so impressed that they have left their own work for the store to sell for them.

"It has kind of evolved from the beginning of just wanting a gallery. The other things grew around it. We never envisioned it would be the way it is."

Monica Vermeulen takes a break from running the Five Corners Craft Centre, in Tamworth. Mrs. Vermeulen and her husband, Buster, offer crafts, ceramics, weaving and art work. They also feature a tea room where they offer scones and cream and jam, reminiscent of "tea time" in Devon, England. They also offer cornish pasties, and a soup and sandwich lunch.

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Computer age comes to the library

Mary-Anne Evans has been working in our county library system since 1974, and during the past 19 years, has seen many changes. "We have over 12,000 members, and more than 100,000 volumes in our county," she said. Ms. Evans predicts the use of an inter-library loan system, and modern computer technology will continue to revolutionize our local libraries.

In 1901, construction on the Public Library building in Napanee was completed, and the doors were opened to area residents.

While there had been some form of library service in the community since 1853, the opening of the brand new, spacious building must have caused some excitement.

And while the library system in the county has grown tremendously in the past 92 years, the library continues to be housed in the same building, at the corner of Robert and Dundas Streets.

Mary-Anne Evans is the manager of Library Services for the County of Lennox and Addington, and as such, oversees the operations of the 11 branch libraries in our county.

"We have over 12,000 members," she said, "and more than 100,000 volumes in our county."

The Napanee and Amherstview branches are the largest in the area. In fact, a brand new library is under construction in Amherstview. It will be connected to the Recreation Centre, and we hope it will become the soul of the community," said Ms. Evans.

There have been changes in other libraries in the county as well. After 20 years in a portable school room, the Yarker library was moved to the former Canada Post building last January. "The building was renovated, and it is a lovely spot," said Ms. Evans.

Ms. Evans has been with the county library system since 1974, and has been manager since 1983.

Previously she had been a teacher and librarian in the secondary school system.

"We have seen tremendous changes in the library in recent years," said Ms. Evans.

The shelves are still lined with books, but alongside you will find a good video cassette collection.

"We are members of a video pool," explained Ms. Evans. "We get blocks of videos in every three months. This frequent rotation keeps our selection varied.

They are not the top-ten Hollywood releases, but educational videos, "how-to's", and many of the classics.

They also carry large print books, audio cassettes, and talking books.

"The talking books have been very popular with the visually impaired," said Ms. Evans, " but recently we have noticed other people taking them to listen to in the car, or while they are doing work around the house."

The children's library also carries a number of books with cassettes, easy reading materials, and a selection of National Film Board films.

For those unable to get in to one of the county libraries, a books-by-mail service has been established.

Books are sent by mail, at no charge, and are on loan for a four week period. When the books are returned, another selection is sent out.

One of the most exciting changes to the library system is the inter-library loan system.

"Every library in the province is on a data-base," explained Ms. Evans. "If we have a request for a book or reference text that we do not carry, we can scan the complete catalogues of other libraries until we find a copy. We then make the arrangements to borrow the book."

Amazingly, the catalogues of hundred of libraries are stored on just seven disks.

"We couldn't have become involved in this system without the support of our County Council, and the municipality," said Ms. Evans. "We are somewhat unique in that our Board is County Council as a whole. It has been a very positive situation for us. It gives us a close working relationship.

"It was County Council who decided to hire an additional staff person, as a reference coordinator, responsible for the inter-library loan system. They felt it was an important program, and it has greatly improved our service to the reading public."

"It has always been our philosophy that there should be equity in library services, whether you live in an urban or rural area. This system gives us that type of equity."

As for the future of library services, Ms. Evans predicts our continuing use of computers will result in many changes.

"I expect we will see less printed material," she said, "and more material on computer disks.

"Complete encyclopedia sets can now be stored on a compact disk. This will mean much less storage space in the library.

"We will also be able to subscribe to more and more data bases, all over the world.

"Not too long ago, the library was mainly serving the recreational reading needs of the public. Today, people depend on us for reference materials, and up-to-date information.

"I also expect people with their own modems will be able to access library information and materials without leaving home. And people will eventually be able to read books right off the computer screen."

The library building may not have changed dramatically in the past 92 years, but the service and needs of the reader certainly have. No doubt those people visiting the library in 1901 had no idea of what the future would bring.

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Ontario realtors launch new program called Always Home

If you are considering purchasing a home, you may be interested in a new Job Loss Mortgage Insurance program, called Always Home.

According to Realtor Robert Storring, this program is "one of a kind in Canada."

Mr. Storring, of Storring Real Estate Brokers in Tamworth, is a director of the Ontario Real Estate Association.

"We began to look at ways to stimulate more real estate business in the province and to boost consumer confidence," he said, "particularly during the difficult economic times we are currently experiencing."

What the Ontario Real Estate Association came up with is an insurance plan that will provide mortgage insurance in the event a home owner looses their job.

The insurance will take care of your mortgage payments while you get your finances in order and find another job.

The Always Home insurance program will make your total monthly mortgage payments (of up to $2,500) for 12 months in the event of involuntary job loss or layoff.

The Ontario Real EstateAssociation canvassed several insurance companies, and working with Pafco Insurance Company Limited and Thompson, Thompson & Association Limited Insurance Brokers, developed Always Home.

While Mr. Storring is quick to point out that real estate brokers cannot, and will not, sell insurance, they do have plenty of information available on the new program.

If you are interested, call any one of our local real estate brokers, or the toll-free customer service line at 1-800-665-5511.

Queen Elizabeth

the last?

As the 40th anniversary of her coronation approaches, the British monarch presides over a broken family and a restive kingdom, with her once-loyal subjects wondering whether the 1,000-year monarchy will survive

THEN: Newly crowned Queen Elizabeth II was adored by millions worldwide.

. . . AND NOW: Beset by a host of troubles, the Queen often looks sad and lonely.

Royal reigns

The longest serving British monarchs over the last thousand years

George III
1760–1820, **60 years**

Victoria
1837–1901,
64 years

Edward III
1327–1377
50 years

Henry III
1216–1272
56 years

Elizabeth I
1558–1603,
45 years

Elizabeth II
1952–present
41 years

Henry VI, 1422–1461	39*
Henry VIII, 1509–1547	38
Henry I, 1100–1135	35
Henry II, 1154–1189	35
Edward I, 1272–1307	35
George II, 1727–1760	33

* reigned again briefly 1470-71

SOURCE: The Kenilworth Guide to Kings & Queens of Thousand years of European Monarchy

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When Ontario buildings win awards for energy efficiency, we all share in the victory.
The Canada Trust Centre, Kitchener, Ontario
V. Burns, Truscan Realty Ltd.
J. Harrison, Webb Zerafa Menkes Housden Partnership
M. Washchyshyn, Mulvey & Banani International Inc.
M. Andronowski, The Mitchell Partnership Ltd.
The George Leach Centre, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario
B. Barban, Algoma University College
B. Caughill, Tossell & Caughill Inc.
G. Barban and D. Barban Nor Mech Engineering Inc.
This year, two buildings received the prestigious Canadian Electrical Association (CEA) Energy Efficiency Award of Distinction for Ontario. They are the George Leach Centre in Sault Ste. Marie and the Canada Trust Centre in Kitchener. The Canada Trust Centre also won the national award. These buildings have something else in common besides being energy efficient award winners. They were both designed with the help of Ontario Hydro's Savings By Design program. This relationship between Ontario Hydro and the buildings' designers has resulted in energy efficiency improvement that will help lower operating costs and therefore increase competitiveness. Ontario Hydro salutes this year's CEA Ontario award winners on their victory – a victory that benefits us all.
Ontario Hydro
Let's give tomorrow a hand.™
energy efficient
Canadian Electrical Association

Time Magazine

Vincent Burns, son of Mrs. Mary Burns and the late Vincent Burns of this area, was the project manager of the Canada Trust Centre building in Kitchener. He is employed by Truscan Realty Ltd., Toronto.

The Webster family now runs the Grindstone

June 1993

They are the newest family, business owners and friends in Tamworth — and they are off to a good start.

The Webster family, from Gananoque have moved to Tamworth to embark on a new adventure for the family — the pizza business.

They bought the Grindstone Pizzeria from the previous owner just a few short weeks ago after seeing an ad in a Toronto newspaper.

"We were looking for something to keep us busy. We saw the ad, drove out to see the establishment and fell in love with it," said Gordon Webster, new owner of the Grindstone.

The other family members are wife Donna and their two sons George and Paul.

"It is going to be a family business," said Mrs. Webster. "We all decided that this is what we would like to do," added Mr. Webster

Although this is the family's first crack at the food business, they have had some practice. They were trained by the previous owners for three weeks.

"We liked the taste of their product, so we didn't change a thing — just the faces," said Mr. Webster.

"The prices even remained the same," added George Webster.

"The day that we moved in, of course it rained. It not only rained, it poured," said Mrs. Webster

But the rain didn't dampen the spirits of the young, enthusiastic family.

They immediately did a few renovations inside and outside the Grindstone. A fresh coat of paint, new curtains and wallpaper were added to brighten up the interior. An awning was added to the outside of the building to provide shade from the sun.

The official re-opening was on June 8, 1993 at 11:30 am.

When the doors opened, the Webster gang got their first taste of the pizza business. Their first order was for a 30 foot sub!

Within a few minutes, approximately 10 hungry students streamed through the doors and the phone rang twice for orders as well.

The Webster family flew into action, serving those first precious customers with speed, and most importantly, with respect.

Gordon, who was working the cash register, struck up several conversations with the children, discussing baseball and summer.

After the first little rush, the family took a deep breathe and realized that they will be a success in Tamworth.

"It's not the first time that we have been in business for ourselves," said the Webster's son, Paul. "We have owned and operated convenience stores in the past," he explained.

"Although we were very excited to open another business for ourselves, one of the major selling points for us was the people we have met here," said Gordon Webster.

"We have meet a lot of nice people in such a short time," his mother was quick to add.

"And to top it all off, we love small communities. This is no exception — we love it," said Mr. Webster.

The Webster family — Gordon, Donna, George and Paul — happily welcome their very first customers to the Grindstone. Trying out the pizza are Derek Bender, Adam Petters and Brendan Richmond. The Websters took ownership of the established pizzeria just last week, after moving to the Tamworth area from Gananoque. They are looking forward to a long and happy relationship with their customers.

Tamworth Realtor Robert Storring re-elected Director-at-large of OREA

Tamworth Realtor Robert Storring was re-elected Director-at-large of the Ontario Real Estate Association (OREA) at its annual conference.

In this capacity he will represent the association's members on the board of directors and senior level executive committee.

Active in the real estate business for 20 years, Storring is the president of Storring and Company Limited, a Tamworth based real estate firm.

He is also a member and past-president of the Kingston and Area Real Estate Association.

Mr. Storring brings to his role as Director-at-large, experience on several OREA committees including public relations, MVA (Market Value Assessment) and political affairs committees. He has chaired the recovery fund committee, the MLS task force and most recently has served as the liaison for the recovery fund/commission trust plan.

The Ontario Real Estate Association represents 43,000 brokers and salespeople and 48 real estate boards throughout Ontario.

Members of the association may use the "Realtor" trademark which identifies them as real estates professionals who subscribe to high ethical and service standards.

OREA serves its member through a wide variety of publications, educational programs and special services. The Association also provides all real estate licensing courses in Ontario.

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Tamworth banking on CIBC

Patricia Layfield, Manager of the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (CIBC) in Tamworth, is pleased to report the Tamworth Branch has been removed from the list of banks under consideration for closure.

This means customers in Arden, Tweed, Marlbank, Roblin, Enterprise, Centreville, Erinsville, Northbrook and Tamworth can look forward to being served by their local bank.

Last March, the *Weekly Guide* reported the CIBC in Tamworth was on the list of banks under review. Manager Layfield is more than pleased her bank has now been taken off that list.

Based on support from old customers and many, many new customers, the bank seems secure in it's present location.

Customers have proved their bank is viable with good productivity and potential for growth.

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Farm News

What is going to happen to rural communities in Ontario?

A full-time farmer may soon be an anachronism.

Recent statistics in our area indicate that more than 50 per cent of farmers earn more than half of their income from off-farm sources. At the same time, there are fewer farmers every year.

One Foot In The Furrow
Bob Trotter

At one time, many years ago, farmers made up almost half the work force of this country, but that has dwindled until today, about three per cent of the work force are farmers. That three per cent feeds this country and still produces a surplus.

According to the Ontario Milk Producer magazine, the number of dairy farmers dwindled by 422 last year. Less than 9,000 dairy farmers are producing in Ontario.

The Ontario Pork Producers Marketing Board reports that there are now 31.5 per cent fewer hog producers in the province now than in 1989. That is a huge drop.

About 7,845 hog farms are left in the province and most of them are in central southwestern Ontario counties of Waterloo, Wellington, Perth and Oxford.

Getting back to dairy farmers, estimates there are scary. New technology makes it possible for one person to handle 100 milking cows so that the number of farms could drop to around 3,000 in the next 15 years.

I hate the thought of it. These trends mean there will be fewer and fewer farmers and the farms that are left will get larger and larger.

The family farm could become a thing of the past and this brings up a big, big question: What is going to happen to rural communities across Ontario?

Who cares, you say? Well, you should care. We need the services and amenities in these communities to keep agriculture viable and competitive.

I believe it is time for all governments to take a long hard look at what is going to happen and be ready to meet the challenge of maintaining a healthy rural economy.

We need to develop and implement plans to create employment. Incentives should be offered to get big businesses to come to rural towns and villages. Goodness knows, if this trend in farming continues, there will be all kinds of people looking for work.

This province will have to set aside dollars to create rural viability. The massive infrastructure of roads and communication services must be maintained and improved.

I can see the day when more and more urbanites will want to move to the country. Some will commute but with the trend to home computerization, fax machines and God knows what else, many will work out of their rural homes and go into the city once or twice a month instead of daily.

In spite of the fact that government policies and marketing boards have been trying to keep the family farm alive, the writing is on the wall.

Farmers will become fewer and those that are left will become bigger operators.

I hate the thought of it but that is the way it looks

Falling prey to wolves

The wolves are howling in Sheffield Township but they turn quiet when they get near the home of Tamworth farmer Scott Gilmore.

Mr. Gilmore has one of the best farm flock of sheep in Ontario, built up over a period of 75 years.

With 50 ewes and more than 70 lambs, Mr. Gilmore was off to a good year.

Now he has less than 30 lambs left, the rest having fallen prey to brush wolves (coyotes).

Mr. Gilmore would like to see a trapper hired to get the wolves.

Back in 1990, he lost eight lambs and it took only two days to get a trapper in.

Twenty-two wolves were trapped, and the depredations halted. In the past three years, the wolf population has been multiplying and Mr.Gilmore figures by next year, the situation will be hopeless.

He expects when his lambs have been killed off, the wolves will start killing calves.

Mr. Gilmore said he has checked with the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) in Napanee and Tweed, but they have no money to hire a trapper.

The Tweed District of the MNR told him Sheffield council has the power to hire a trapper.

The Sheffield Council has made no effort to control coyotes in his area. Other sections of business can expect protection from the police but he, as a farmer, is left on his own.

"The wolves come just at the break of day, before I can see to shot," said Mr. Gilmore. "They are now beginning to come in the late afternoon. The neighbours can hear them howling, singing to beat hell, but they are quiet when they come to my house to hunt lambs. My sheep are afraid to go near the fence lines."

Mr. Gilmore has a letter dated July 2, 1993, from Jane Ireland of the Minister's Liaison office, saying the matter will be brought to the Minister's attention. Nothing has happened.

Mr. Gilmore points out he has received about $1,500 compensation for 18 lambs killed so far. This would cover the cost of a trapper.

Conservationist often claim that wolves should be protected and farmers don't lose because they are compensated by market value for lambs killed.

Farmers point out kills must be verified and this can only be done with a carcass.

At the time of this interview, Mr. Gilmore had lost over 40 lambs but only been able to prove 18 kills.

Mr. Gilmore does have a security light and brings the lambs in at night but the wolves are killing within 12 feet of his house and taking their prey off into the fields.

Getting up several times a night is not effective and unless some action is taken by the Township of Sheffield, or the MNR, it seems that Mr. Gilmore has little option but to watch his flock being decimated one sheep at a time.

Hastings-Frontenac-Lennox and Addington

	Elected Member		Government Party and Prime Minister
1993	Larry McCormick	L	Jean Chretien L
1988	Bill Vankoughnet	PC	Brian Mulroney PC
1984	Bill Vankoughnet	PC	Brian Mulroney PC
1980	Bill Vankoughnet	PC	Pierre Trudeau L
1979	Bill Vankoughnet	PC	Joe Clark PC
1974	Douglas Alkenbrack	PC	Pierre Trudeau L
1972	Douglas Alkenbrack	PC	Pierre Trudeau L
1968	Douglas Alkenbrack	PC	Pierre Trudeau L
	Prince Edward-Lennox		
1965	Douglas Alkenbrack	PC	Lester Pearson L
1963	Douglas Alkenbrack	PC	Lester Pearson L
1962	Douglas Alkenbrack	PC	John Diefenbaker PC
1958	Clarence Milligan	PC	John Diefenbacker PC
1957	Clarence Milligan	PC	John Diefenbacker PC
1953	George Tustin	PC	Louis St. Laurent L
1949	George Tustin	PC	Louis St. Laurent L
1945	George Tustin	PC	W.L. Mackenzie King L
1940	George Tustin	NG	W.L. Mackenzie King L
1935	George Tustin	C	W.L. Mackenzie King L
1930	John Weese	C	Richard Bennett C
1926	John Hubbs	C	W.L. Mackenzie King L
1925	John Hubbs	C	W.L. Mackenzie King L
	Lennox and Addington		
1921	Edward Sexsmith	P	W.L. Mackenzie King L
1917	William Paul	G	Robert Borden C
1911	William Paul	C	Robert Borden C
1908	Uriah Wilson	C	Wilfrid Laurier L
1904	Uriah Wilson	C	Wilfrid Laurier L
	Lennox		
1900	Uriah Wilson	C	Wilfrid Laurier L
1896	Uriah Wilson	C	Wilfrid Laurier L
1892*	Uriah Wilson	C	John Thompson C
1891	David Allison	L	John Abbott L
1887	Uriah Wilson	C	Sir John A. Macdonald C
1885*	Matthew Pruyn	C	Sir John A. Macdonald C
1883*	David Allison	L	Sir John A. Macdonald C
1882	Sir John A. Macdonald	C	Sir John A. Macdonald C
1878	Edmund Hooper	C	Sir John A. Macdonald C
1874	Richard Cartwright	L	Alexander Mackenzie L
1873*	Richard Cartwright	L	Alexander Mackenzie L
1872	Richard Cartwright	IndC	Sir John A. Macdonald C
1867	Richard Cartwright	IndC	Sir John A. Macdonald C

LEGEND

PC = Progressive Conservative
NG = National Government
C = Conservative
P = Progressive
G = Government
L = Liberal
IndC = Independent Conservative
*** = By-election**

Note: By-election in 1873 forced when Cartwright crossed the floor of the House of Commons to join Prime Minister Alexander Mackenzie's cabinet.

Federal Election Oct. 25, 1993.

Canada's new prime minister is Jean Chretien whose Liberal Party swept to victory with a solid majority.

Election night!

McCormick elected as new MP

On Monday, October 25, Larry McCormick became the new MP for the Hastings-Lennox & Addington riding.

Mr. McCormick said he wants to thank the 150-200 volunteers who gave the campaign their time and talent.

"It was rewarding for them to see us win."

He also wanted to thank all of the people who voted and said it was great to see people turn out and vote.

This riding is one of the largest in Ontario and Mr. McCormick admitted that it will be a challenge to keep in touch with the people.

"I am going to try to be available and accessible. I am also going to spread my time between Ottawa and this riding."

Larry McCormick gives the thumbs-up sign to voters who gathered to hear him speak after he had been voted in as the MP for the riding of Hastings-Lennox & Addington.

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Giving needed care to the caregiver

If you are currently providing care and support for an older family member or friend, you may be interested in an informal discussion group in our community — the Caregiver's Support Group.

The group was initially formed in the Fall of 1990 to address the health and social issues of the informal caregiver and help them cope with the stresses of caregiving.

The program is run by the Kingston Frontenac Lennox & Addington Health Unit, and Therese McGurn, a Public Health Nurse, is one of the program's facilitators.

"The Napanee group meets monthly, on the fourth Thursday, at 1:30 p.m.," she explained. The meetings are held at the Seniors Outreach Services office, at 83A Bridge Street West.

Working along with Mrs. McGurn are Case Managers Joan Flieler and Monica Smith. Ms. Flieler helps with the group located in Northbrook.

The Northbrook group meets in the Lions Hall, on Highway 41, on the last Tuesday of the month, from 1:30 p.m. until 3:30 p.m.

"For many years, family caregivers have served as an almost invisible, yet indispensible, resource," Mrs. McGurn said, "essential for the well-being of our older adult population.

"Caregiving of older adults by spouses, siblings, adult children or other family members is not new in our society, yet very little is done to prepare or assist families for this challenging role."

Mrs. McGurn quoted statistics showing that the over-80 age group is the fastest growing segment in our society, and as such, the family caregiving role is also growing.

And since only 11 per cent of Canadian seniors live in institutions, many remain in their own homes, or with family.

"The stress of caring for an older friend or family member can be a major concern, and many find they begin to burn-out," said Mrs. McGurn.

The Caregiver Support Group is designed to give individuals a chance to talk about the suesses in their lives, and learn how to take care of themselves, as well as the person for whom they have responsibility.

"It is important that the caregiver not get overlooked," said Mrs. McGurn.

The support group provides an opportunity for caregivers to share their concerns and problems with others, in similar situations. The Napanee group currently has about eight members who attend regularly.

"Often members of the group

Therese McGurn

help solve each other's problems by sharing ideas that have worked for them," said Mrs. McGurn.

"The caregivers tell us that it really helps to know that they are not alone, and that somebody understands.

Along with a chance to talk about the stresses of caregiving, members of the group also welcome guest speakers.

"We've had people come and speak to us on a variety of topics," said Mrs. McGurn, "including stress management; preparing wills, living wills, and powers of attorney; coping with grief, and guilt; and handling the decision to place a family member in a nursing home."

All discussions are kept confidential, within the group.

"It is important to note that caregiving is not all negative," said Mrs. McGurn.

"Caring for an aging relative or friend can be a richly rewarding, challenging and loving experience.

"Most of the caregivers we meet with want to care for their family member for as long as they possibly can, and while it can be a heavy burden, they do it out of love."

If you would like to learn more about the Caregiver Support Group, call 354-3357.

Or you can attend the next meeting: Thursday, March 24 in Napanee or Tuesday, March 29 in Northbrook.

Taking care of you, at home

For seniors just coming home from hospital, or needing assistance managing to stay in their own home, the Kingston-Frontenac-Lennox and Addington (KFLA) Health Unit offers a Home Care Program.

"We have two programs--active and chronic so there are a variety of services available," says Linda Priest, one of the case managers in the Napanee office.

The main KFLA Health Unit office is in Kingston, and there are branch offices in Napanee and Cloyne.

The Napanee office services all of Lennox and Addington as far north as Tamworth. Amherstview is covered from the Kingston office, but the rest of the county is served from Napanee.

The Active Home Care program is set up for those patients with an acute illness or injury.

"This is for someone who is able to come home from hospital and continue receiving care, but in a more comfortable environment," Mrs. Priest explains.

This type of care may require several visits from a number of health professionals: the Victorian Order of Nurses (VON); physical, speech or occupational therapists; or homemakers.

Medical supplies and equipment can also be taken care through the Home Care program if necessary, Mrs. Priest notes.

"The need for services may be intense for a little while, and then as the situation stabilizes, the other type of program: Chronic Home Care can be set up," she says.

These patients receive ongoing care with a minimum of three professional visits in one month.

The intent of this program is to help patients achieve and maintain being able to stay in their own home as long as possible. Being at home frequently stimulates the patient to more activity and independence.

"The other situation with some seniors is that they may not have family close by, so they rely on the medical community for assistance," Mrs. Priest says.

The Home Care program arranges for homemakers to go into the home to assist with meals, laundry shopping and housework. They can also assist the seniors getting access to the Meals on Wheels program and other services through the Seniors Outreach Services (SOS).

While the Home Care programs are available to anyone in the community, Mrs. Priest says the majority of the clients are senior citizens.

In addition to the health services, the Home Care program also has a nutritionist and social worker on staff.

There is also a case manager in the hospital to help get services established and minimize any delays in getting the necessary services.

All of the Home Care programs are financed through the Ministry of Health, and there is no cost to the patient. However, the extended use of the Support services (i.e. homemaking) may have some cost involved.

"We can only provide so many hours per month, and if more is needed, we can help the client access some other type of health insurance or arrange private payments for the services," Mrs. Priest says.

Once the person is no longer able to stay in their own home, there is a Placement Co-ordinator available to help the client and the family choose the best type of nursing home or home for the aged living arrangement.

If there are services not provided by Home Care, Mrs. Priest says the case manager has a working knowledge of other social and health services in the community and can help the person access those services.

Linda Priest is a case manager for the Home Care Program in Napanee. There are two programs offered to seniors — active and chronic care. They are both designed to help seniors remain in their own homes as long as possible.

"It can be pretty scary when you need help and you don't quite know where to turn."

Home Care can continue as long as the patient is deemed to be in need of the services. Cases are reviewed every six months and always in consultation with the doctor and patient.

Referrals for the services can come from the attending physician, or the client, or the family.

"As part of the community, we are trying to be as accessible and helpful as possible," Mrs. Priest says.

Anyone wanting more information about the KFLA Home Care program can call the Napanee office at 354-9755, Monday to Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., and ask to speak with Mrs. Priest or one of the other case managers.

Linda Smith, and Lenadco face many new challenges

Linda Smith's official title may be Manager of Nursing for Lenadco Home in Napanee, but to the residents, she is more likely known as the caring person, with the quick and friendly smile.

Mrs. Smith has been with Lenadco since 1977, when she joined as a staff nurse. In 1985, she was appointed Manager of Nursing.

Throughout her 17 years at Lenadco, Mrs. Smith has seen a number of changes, but perhaps the biggest changes have taken place over the past few months.

"For many years, our mandate was to provide a home for seniors 65 and over, who needed care in a residential setting."

The first residents of Lenadco were seniors, many of whom had lived in the area for several years, who no longer felt comfortable living alone.

"Many of them just needed to be in a setting with other people, no longer worried about the day to day chores of cooking and cleaning."

Some of the other residents needed more physical care, and the nurses were able to look after their needs too.

"Our home was designed to house 160 residents, " said Mrs. Smith. "And of that number, roughly half were residential clients — the other half needing more extensive physical care."

"I have a positive attitude about the changes ahead"

In July of last year, changes were instituted at the provincial government level which changed the mandate and make-up of the home.

"We are now licenced to provide care for residents who require nursing care," said Mrs. Smith. Clients are referred to Lenadco by a Placement Coordinator in Kingston. They no longer do their own admissions.

And one of the biggest changes of all — they now serve clients who are 18 years of age, or older, who require nursing care.

This change was brought about gradually by the government." Their mandate is to keep seniors in their own homes as long as possible, as long as they are not a risk to themselves, or others," said Mrs. Smith.

Home support services will be enhanced in an effort to make it easier for seniors to do just that.

"This change means we are currently in a transition stage," said Mrs. Smith. "And it has had a major impact on our staff. We are gearing up to provide more heavy care for residents than has been required in the past.

Linda Smith is Manager of Nursing at the Lenadco Home. She joined the Home in 1977, as a staff nurse, and was promoted to her present position in 1985. Mrs. Smith is responsible for the nursing staff — including registered nurses, nursing assistants, and health care aids. Changes to the mandate of the Home have also meant many changes for Mrs. Smith and her staff.

"We are attempting to make some minor renovations to make the home more able to cope with the gradually increasing number of physical care clients, but at the same time, working within budget guidelines."

Lenadco previously had three wings devoted to residential care — today there are two.

"While we understand the reasoning behind the changes, we also find in a somewhat rural setting such as ours, there are seniors living in more isolated areas of the community that aren't able to access as many services as those seniors living on their own in the urban centres.

"It presents a challenge for us."

Mrs. Smith faces many challenges in her position. She is responsible for a staff of registered nurses, registered nursing assistants and health care aids — 70 people in all.

As well, she works with the residents and their families, and the Home's Activation Department.

The Activation Department is responsible for providing recreational and leisure programs, and some physical therapy for residents. "Our challenge will be to deal effectively with the changing needs of our clients, considering we'll be dealing with different age groups, and capabilities," said Mrs. Smith.

One of the things that makes Lenadco so unique and special is that many of the staff members know the clients. They may be relatives or friends, and it makes the home more personal and close than some others.

Mrs. Smith knows many of the residents personally. She was born in Napanee, and after living and working in Victoria for a few years, she and her husband Eric, returned to the area.

They have a dairy farm on Highway 41, just a few miles from Tamworth.

The Smiths have two sons — Corey, 18, and Derek, 19.

Mrs. Smith sees her role at Lenadco as a caregiver to her staff.

"If I can help, nurture and care for my staff, I believe they will be better able to care for our clients."

Working with Mrs. Smith is her assistant, Diane Fox.

"We have developed an excellent working relationship with our staff, and the unions," said Mrs. Smith.

"We have basically no turnover here," said Mrs. Smith. "We are proud of our staff and appreciate them and their loyalty."

"The needs of seniors are changing and my challenge is to keep up with these changes, from day to day and month to month," she said.

"The next two or three years will be very challenging for me, and for Lenadco. But I have a positive attitude about the changes ahead. As our clients needs change, we have to meet those needs with the resources we have. That will be an exciting challenge."

Government committed to better long-term care

FROM THE MINISTER
ELAINE ZIEMBA

The Government of Ontario is committed to improving the quality of life of Ontario seniors. That is why, after consulting with about 75,000 Ontarians at more than 3,000 meetings across the province, the government is improving and expanding community-based health care, personal care and community support services. These enhanced services will help seniors to remain healthy and independent, living where most prefer to live - in the familiar surroundings of their own homes. For residents of long-term care facilities, this initiative will result in an improvement in their quality of life, as well as in the care they receive.

Called the Long-Term Care Reform, the new initiative is considered such a high priority that by 1996-97 an additional $647.8 million annually will go towards its implementation.

I believe the redirection initiative will result in a care system that is more responsive to individual need. As a consumer, you will have to phone only one number to have access to the full range of long-term care services in your community. It will be equivalent to "one-stop shopping." Rather than requiring you to fit into the system, the reform will see that services are organized around your personal needs, circumstances and preferences.

District health councils will ensure that the system is planned in a way that is responsive to local needs. In order to do so, they may hold community meetings or conduct surveys to determine local needs and gaps in services. If you wish to participate, please contact your local district health council.

In each community, current community agencies will be combined into one organization, called a multi-service agency (MSA). MSAs will act as the single entry point to the long-term care system and will be fully operational across Ontario by 1995. District health councils will develop each MSA to best serve the specific needs of the local community.

Among other things, multi-service agencies will deliver a range of services, such as visiting nurses, homemaking, friendly visiting, security programs, physiotherapy, nutrition counselling, meal programs and transportation. MSAs will also be the access point for nursing homes and homes for the aged, and will manage admissions in a manner that respects individual choices.In spite of current fiscal constraints, the government is committed to ensuring the expansion of community-based, long-term care services. Approximately $400 million annually will be used to improve and expand services aimed at assisting people who live independently in their own homes. As well, more than $200 million per year, will be used to improve the quality of life for those who reside in nursing homes and homes for the aged.

Residents of nursing homes and homes for the aged who can afford to do so will be asked to pay part of the cost. However, they will only be responsible for their room and board, as they would if they were living in their own homes. The amount charged will be based on ability to pay, so that no one will be required to pay more than they can afford. No one will be denied care, and no one will be charged for personal care, nursing or other health services.

Despite difficult economic times, this government remains committed to improving the quality and delivery of long-term care services in Ontario. Our Long-Term Care Reform initiative provides strong support for a strategy that invests in health promotion and wellness, as well as care. The dividend will be a more balanced system and a better quality of life for seniors.

If you have questions concerning long-term care, please contact the long-term care office in your area. I welcome your comments about matters addressed in this column, or suggestions about topics you'd like to see discussed in future columns. Please write to me c/o the Office for Seniors' Issues, Ministry of Citizenship, 76 College St., 6th Floor, Toronto, Ont., M7A 1N3.

Should you have any questions about concerns specific to seniors, call the Office for Seniors' Issues at (416) 327-2422 (in the Toronto area), or toll-free at 1-800-267-7329. The TDD number is (416) 327-2488.

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Treating these 'patients' not for every doctor

OTTAWA/The Canadian Press

DR. NADIA MIKHAEL REMEMBERS the call from the coroner. Sudden death. Woman in her 40s just arrived from overseas. Died in her sleep. Looks like a heart attack.

The first condom filled with heroin came out in the Ottawa pathologist's hand as soon as she cut the woman's body open – 102 more followed.

"She had 103 rubber condoms filled with pure heroin in her stomach and bowel, three of which had burst and given her an overdose," Mikhael says.

"A pathologist assistant and two morgue attendants were present. I told them to lock the doors. I called the coroner. I said, 'Get the police, the feds.' I was so scared. I didn't even want to talk on the phone."

The "patient" – Mikhael never calls them bodies – was a professional drug smuggler.

In forensic pathology, Mikhael says, nothing can ever be presumed. "Never take any short cuts," she tells her students. "You don't know what you're going to find."

Mikhael is head of the Ottawa General Hospital's department of pathology and laboratory medicine, site of the new eastern Ontario forensic pathology unit.

The unit serves as the first regional morgue for coroner-requested and high-risk autopsies, as well as a training and research centre in the rapidly advancing field of forensic medicine.

It is here that coroners, police, Crown lawyers and grief-stricken families will turn for their answers: Was it suicide or homicide? Is that a self-inflicted gun shot or knife wound? Could that be the murderer's blood?

An autopsy is called by a coroner when there's a question about the cause of death, or to establish the precise cause of a homicide.

Five human brains sit suspended in vats of formaldehyde behind them, on shelves running floor to ceiling, sliced sections of kidneys, livers, lungs, spleens and other organs are stored in jars identified only by number.

Pieces of human tissues are sectioned and stored for five years or more in case further examination is required for legal or medical reasons, Mikhael says.

Mikhael, a mother of two grown sons who are pursuing medical careers, is an Egyptian-born and British-trained physician who has a deep-seated respect and compassion for the dead and tries to instill it in her students.

"This is an aspect of medicine that is the window to medical knowledge.

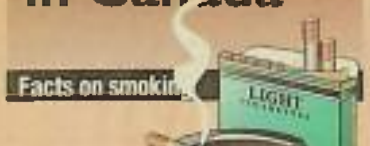
"The autopsy is the ultimate examination. Clinically, you can suspect things. But there's nothing like the autopsy, when you see every organ and you examine it thoroughly and you can understand better the disease.

"People think you do autopsies to determine the cause of death. But in the hundreds of autopsies I've done here and in Britain, I've learned something from every one. If it's a cancer patient, we learn how cancer spreads, how it responds to treatment, which organs were involved."

Depending on what the autopsy reveals, a death is classified as homicide, suicide, an accident or death due to natural causes.

"It may be traumatic to learn the truth, but it's part of the healing process," Mikhael says.

Alcohol and drugs in Canada



Facts on smoking

- Tobacco sales dropped steadily in Canada from 3,626 cigarettes a year for every person 15 years or older in 1981 to 2,192 per person-year in 1991.
- The proportion of the population that smokes has halved since 1965 reaching 29 per cent of the population by the early 1990s. Rates of use were highest among people 35-44 years (35 per cent of total) and lowest for those over 65 (15 per cent).
- 35,717 deaths a year are related to smoking. PEI had the highest rate (159 deaths per 100,000) and NWT the lowest (40/100,000).
- Average Canadian smoker spends $1,866.50 a year on cigarettes.
- Pre-made cigarettes account for 85 per cent of the market. About 14 per cent smoke hand-rolled or home-made cigarettes and less than two per cent smoke cigars or pipes.
- Smokers generally drink more (5.2 drinks per week) than non-smokers (3.2 per week).

Facts on drugs

- More than 30,000 Canadian males 16 to 18 years old use anabolic steroids to improve their sports performance. Another 265,000 11 to 18 year olds use pain-killers, 94,000 use stimulants and 800,000 use caffeine to do better at sports.
- Five per cent of all Canadians 15 years or older use marijuana in a year. An additional 15 per cent used marijuana at some earlier point in their lives. Marijuana is most commonly consumed by those aged 20-24 (13 per cent of total)
- One per cent of those 15 or over use cocaine in a year. Cocaine is most commonly used by people 25-34 years of age.
- More women than men take legal drugs (pain killers, sleeping pills, tranquilizers, diet pills, anti-depressants) than men.
- In general, prescription drug use increases with age, particularly tranquilizers and sleeping pills. Eleven per cent of people 65 or over used tranquilizers and 19 per cent used sleeping pills.
- Of the 56,123 people charged with drug offences, 58 per cent were busted on marijuana charges and 29 per cent for cocaine.
- By international standards, AIDS cases attributed to injected drug use is low _ one per cent of all male AIDS cases and seven per cent of female cases.
- 86 per cent of "street kids" use alcohol, 71 per cent use marijuana, 31 per cent use crack or cocaine, 44 per cent use LSD or other hallucinogens.

Facts on alcohol

- The average Canadian over 15 consumes the equivalent of 8.65 litres of absolute alcohol a year.
- 2,959 Canadian deaths were directly attributed to alcohol and 15,665 indirectly linked to alcohol. Of the direct deaths, 2,155 were from liver disease.
- 65 per cent of drinking occurs in private settings (at home, visiting friends, at house parties), 25 per cent occurs in bars and restaurants and nine per cent at outdoor activities, sporting events, concerts, the theatre or club meetings.
- Among regular drinkers, men consume nearly three times as much alcohol as women (8.4 drinks per week versus 2.3)
- The average Canadian 15 years and older spends $478 a year on alcohol, contributing to a $10-billion industry.
- Men in their early 20s are the biggest drinkers, averaging eight drinks per week.
- For every woman admitted to a general or psychiatric hospital for an alcohol-related illness, 2.5 men are admitted.
- 43 per cent of drivers killed in auto accidents had some alcohol in their blood. 35 per cent were over the legal limit.
- Drinking and driving offences are on the decline in Canada, reaching 667 per 100,000 in 1991, down from nearly 900 per 100,000 in 1983. Highest rate is in NWT (3,501 per 100,000) and lowest in Ontario (431 per 100,000).
- Native youth are three to four times more likely to die accidentally from alcohol-related causes than youths from the rest of the population.

Source: Canadian Profile, Alcohol, Tobacco & Other Drugs

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Life in the '30s was a real ball (of string!)

MEMORIES OF THE '30s
MARY COOK

Everything bought at the General Store was tied with string... from the half pound of black pepper in the brown paper bag, to the five pounds of sugar, also in a brown paper bag, to the loaves of store-bought bread. The store-keeper was certainly not stingy with the string, as he sometimes wrapped it around a package many times. Cooked meat, which came wrapped in a lighter grade of brown paper that almost resembled tissue paper, was also tied securely with the same white string.

The string holder in the store sat under the counter. The string was taken to the ceiling and put through a closed-end nail, from which it hung limply over the counter at the ready. Once the store-keeper had all the supplies gathered at one end of the long oak counter top, he would pack them into a card-board box, lifting the flaps to make the box higher and tying them securely with string. There was no such things as a staple gun to do the job.

Darning needle

Once we arrived home with our groceries, the string was handled with the utmost respect. As the job of looking after it usually fell to the youngest in the household, it became my task to take the string off all the packages that were in the grocery box. It was very strong, I remember, but I was not allowed to cut the knots open with the scissors. That would be a waste. And so, instead, I used the large darning needle, or sometimes the tines of a fork, to poke away at the knot until it was freed.

Another of my jobs was to make sure the string was ready for its next function. Into a corner spot in a drawer of the wall cupboard, I would put all the loose string. Here it would stay until, at my leisure, I had time to do with it what was always my chore. On the kitchen wall was a tin box, and at one time we had a china cows head. These two receptacles held a ball of string which I had rolled. I don't recall that anyone else in my family had the job of rolling the string. My older brothers and sister looked on the chore with scorn, as if they were too old and mature to do something as menial as roll string!

Fat

When the ball was as fat as a softball, I would take the string box down off the wall, put the roll into it, and feed the end out so as to be at the ready. It was up to me to make sure an end was sticking out at all times.

The ball was made up of hundreds of pieces of all different lengths, I was not allowed to knot it, as the string would then not be able to feed through the hole. So I was constantly checking to make sure the end protruded, always ready for use.

Then there was another ball I was responsible for. It was a fat ball too, but I had to learn to make a rolled knot on the end of my finger and thumb, and then clip off the ends, so that the knot was almost invisible. It was quite a laborious task to make the string ball appear to be one long, continuous piece.

But this was necessary because the string from this roll was used for knitting dish-cloths. Heaven forbid that the finished cloth would have masses of loose ends! These dishcloths were used by all the farmwives I knew in our community. After many washings and washings they bleached out to a snowy white and were very absorbent. I had to make sure there were always several balls of string ready for what my mother called idle fingers, which she would not tolerate.

My old, maiden aunt, who spent the winters with us, had an unique use for string. She knit little caps from it, and these odd apparitions she wore to bed to keep a chill off her forehead, as she would say.

String played a very important role in our life on the farm back in the '30s. Today, when I look around for a piece of string, I usually have a hard time finding one. Nothing comes tied with string anymore. Some country stores that are still trying to retain a General Store atmosphere keep a roll on hand in case a customer asks for string. But most stores have switched to scotch tape in the name of progress.

When I think of all the uses we had for that simplest of commodities, and how it is slowly fading from use, I realized more than ever that like the Model T, white porcelain hand-basins, huck towels on a roller, and home-made lye soap, string is fast becoming a cherished memory of life as it was lived in the '30s.

Grandparents aren't as special as they used to be

GERALD WALTON PAUL

LETTERS FROM PAUL

WHEN I WAS a boy, no special day was set aside to celebrate grandparents but grandparents were very special people. Now that I'm a grandpa, we celebrate the second Sunday in September as Grandparents Day but grandparents are not nearly as special as they used to be.

Among the minor reasons for this decline in importance, increasing mobility ranks high. With the shift from rural, extended, geographically clustered families to urban, scattered nuclear, dispersed families, grandparents and grandchildren are often separated by physical distance. Relationships, once continuous, soon become intermittent.

Linked to mobility is the move from spacious farmhouse to cramped city home. Special moments often took place between the polar generations in attic, basement, kitchen, shed, garden, barn, hencoop and out in the field during haying season. Streamlined, compact, modern housing no longer provides rustic and nostalgic settings for memorable grandparenting encounters and experiences.

Then, too, today's parents no longer take it for granted that grandparents can be trusted with their children. Incidents of sexual assault of grandkids by granddads are well publicized. The solidarity of the extended family, which allowed such things to be covered up in the past, has pretty well disintegrated. The cloud of suspicion hovering about grandpa makes parents extra vigilant. Today, special moments in special places shared by grandfather and grandchild are more often discouraged than encouraged.

In the secular city, more and more parents shun organized religion. Many identify themselves as atheists, agnostics, humanists and non-churchgoers. Insisting that they want their children to "make up their own minds when they grow up," they are wary of grandparents. They fear grandma and grandpa will infect them with "the old, old story." Whereas, "the old folks" used to be honored as transmitters of religion from generation to generation, today, parents do not want grandparents' dated religion to be imposed on grandchildrens' new world.

Arthur Kornhaber, M.D., and Kenneth L.Woodward, visited 300 American grandparents to find out how they saw their roles. In their book, Grand Parents/Grand Children, they report that only 15 out of 300 described themselves as "intimately involved" with their grandchildren. Another 15 said they were "completely detached." All the rest described their relationship with their grandchildren as "intermittently involved."

They attribute this reduction in intimacy to the emergence of "a new social contract." This unspoken but functioning contract restricts grandparent-grandchild interaction. Grandparents no longer have the right to walk into their grandchildren's lives. Instead, they are "invited" for specific times and for specific purposes. Granny Smith no longer automatically goes to her granddaughter's birthday party. She goes only if she's invited.

To use biblical terminology recently reclaimed in America by the Democratic Party, the covenant that used to exist between grandparents and grandchildren has dwindled to a contract. Religiously committed readers will recall that God made a covenant with Noah and put a rainbow in the sky as a sign of the deep personal relationship established between them. With the slackening of religion in families, covenants are swiftly being replaced by contracts. It's a great pity, I think. But that's the way it is. At least for now.

The authors attempt to outline the reasons why today's grandparents are different than our grandparents. They suggest that many functions of grandparents have been taken over by surrogates. Most such substitutes have been institutional replacements. In times past, grandparents acted as feeders, caretakers, mentors, role models and as bridges with the past. Today, grandchildren eat fast foods and junk foods, they are cared for by babysitters, they are taught by school teachers, rock stars and other celebrities. Television largely provides both their questionable role models and their pinched view of history.

Grandparents are not merely passive recipients of changes in their status. While some feel cheated, others feel liberated. They want to be persons first, then companions, then parents, then grandparents. Many have no desire to centre their lives on their kid's kids. They move in circles they choose. They do not want to be tied down. They have plans of their own that do not include their grandchildren. The strongest make no bones about it. Others, responding to the changing tides of family life, quietly reduce their expectations of grandparental intimacy with their grandchildren.

Grandparents miss a lot if by choice or by parental fiat they share no special times with their grandchildren. Although we try not to intrude on their lives, when Shirley and I are invited we jump at the chance. We nearly always go willingly, happily and together. I enjoy playing bridge, baseball, billiards, doing puzzles, fixing toys, showing slides, walking, reading, laughing listening, watching and just being around with our seven grandchildren.

I'm utterly helpless with little babies and don't know what to do with them. My companion is an excellent nurturer, has infinite patience with the tiny tots, and practical skills to impart by show-and-tell. The relationships are characterized on both sides by "want-to" rather than "have-to." We acknowledge their agendas will often not include us. They understand that our plans will often exclude them. And we all seem to like it that way.

Grandparent's Day is Sunday, Sept. 13. Roles have changed. Grandparents aren't nearly as special as they used to be. If we're to maintain close relationships with our grandchildren it will be as a privilege, not a right, by invitation, not by custom. While I gently mourn the death of covenant and the birth of contract, I accept the emerging pattern of relationships between grandparents and grandchildren as within the guiding, guarding and governing work of the providence of God.

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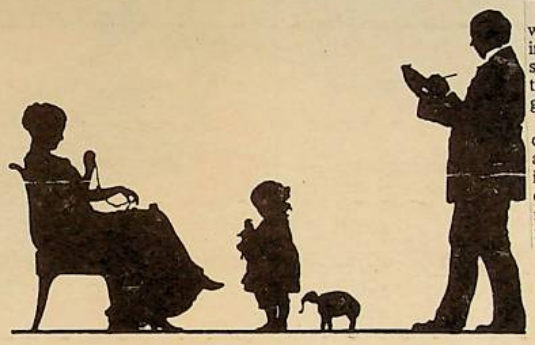
REFLECTIONS by Mabel Drew

I remember families



There was a father and a mother and one-and-a-ninth children. That was the statistic for the average family in the 1930s. We didn't fit into the average category, there being four children, and from the time I was seven months, no father. It was a closely knit circle. Each of us knew beyond a doubt, "in my very own self I am part of a family." We belonged. No argument could change that.

Now, in these times of fractured families, many children don't know where they belong. How can you know, when you have three or four different bases to touch, which one is home. There are three strikes against you when you've scarcely begun to play ball. What is it like for a child to be switched back and forth between parents and step-parents; between adults who are often lost themselves in a maze of foolish and agonizing choices?

I don't know. I thank God that I never have had to know. And now that I am old, (Who said that? I'm only 76), I have memories that will cheer me until the time comes that I don't need them anymore.

Although I received more than my share of attention, being the youngest, I remember times when I wished I were the only one. Being so often the centre of attention is like drinking salty soda. You're always thirsty for more. But when I went away to school I missed my siblings sorely and counted the days until I would see them.

What do families, if they live in the same house, do together these days? We always ate together our three meals a day; breakfast and lunch in the kitchen, dinner in the dining room, with its oak table, tall sideboard with beveled mirror flanked by two little bracketed shelves, and plaques on the wall reminding me that "Christ is the Head of this house; the Unseen Guest at every meal, the Silent listener to every conversation." After dinner there were Bible reading and prayers, no matter how anxious we might be to get to our evening activities.

In a family of that dimension you have your years of closeness with a sibling. My sister and I played together, with me taking direction from her, rebelling occasionally but usually giving in to her wishes. I never knew what the boys were up to. They quarreled as all brothers do. Years later Larry told me that, in spite of these spats, Cecil, the oldest, was ready to defend and fight for his brother at the smallest hint of criticism, whether deserved or not.

Then you grow apart for awhile. The years between expand as one matures and becomes curious about, and interested in, the world "out there." One moves forward while the other hangs back in the safe, warm climate of childhood. I wasn't rejected. My companion of sidewalk hopscotch and fairy plays in the buttercup field down by Belfield Avenue, and dress-up in the front bedroom, was no longer interested in "Let's pretend." She had found a special girlfriend. They spent hours styling each other's hair, trying on lipstick when mother wasn't around, and watching out the window, then rushing to sit on the front step when they spied that good-looking "fella" from Shedaker Street approaching. Now I was Helen's little sister; mother had put me in her care and she was pleased with the change. She showed me off as if I were a favorite doll; washed my face and combed my hair and tied my hair ribbon, and told me to be a good girl while she went to the corner store with her friend. She was infinitely older than I during that interval, a pseudo-mother proudly conscious of her responsibility.

What do families do now on weekend afternoons? At a time when the eight years that separated the youngest from the oldest made little difference, we went on picnics. We all pitched in to slice the bread, spread it with margarine for bologna and cheese sandwiches, and made a lot of lemonade out of one small lemon, adding chips of ice from the cake in the ice box. Then we were off to the Indian Rock in Wister Woods, all of us. When I read *The Five Little Peppers and How They Grew* I identified with the Pepper family.

Inevitably life moves on like a swollen stream in the spring, breaking new channels between the voyagers. We are separated but no one becomes an island; there's always a strip of connecting land that keeps the way home open. We meet and we part, calling over the miles, "See You soon," and "I'll be home in the spring."

There are statistics that I wish I had never seen or that had never come into focus in our present society. They tell of the incredible number of children who have no stable home or who don't know who their real parents are or who come to adolescence in the downtown streets of our big cities. In the conventional family of the '30s we all finally went our separate ways; the dining room had fewer diners and the second and third bedrooms became guest rooms. But we were still a family. Long ago we had imprinted on to that entity and no one or no circumstance could take that away from us. We belonged and we knew where.

The "conjugal family" no longer prevails at the core of our society. The varieties of sexual relationships bewilder the child of today who stands tired and anxious, wondering in what place she is going to sleep tonight. There are not only the establishments of father (whoever that is), and mother. There are stepfathers and stepmothers, concerned grandparents who might want to help but aren't always permitted. It may take the law to decide where he/she is to sleep. Young people are pushed out of the way into summer camps or private schools or may spend some years in foster homes. What do they know about family picnics, shared holidays, holding a big brother's hand and trotting off to Sunday School?

It took decades for the fractured family to unravel. The causes of its disintegration were many. To knit it back together, if that were possible, would surely take generations. It is impossible, for me at least, to imagine how our broken homes can be healed. So many organizations and individuals give their love and care and energy towards this end whether or not they see a light at the end of the tunnel. We are profoundly thankful for their efforts.

And I never cease to be grateful that, though most of my immediate family have passed on, I still identify with the family unit. I still belong to that group that sat around the dining-room table talking about the events of the day, passing the meat and potatoes, being reminded to clean up my plate because there were hungry children in the world. I remember togetherness and cherish my memories. □

Mabel Drew is a Kingston writer.

Kids didn't dare disgrace family

Re: recent articles in The Toronto Star on violent students. Looking back over many years, one wonders how those of us who did not turn to crime and violence managed to avoid it.

The laurel goes to our parents, many of whom were hard-working people struggling to make ends meet.

They cared and were there when we needed them, instilling in us from an early age the consequences awaiting us within the family if we dared to disgrace them.

Old-fashioned, of course, today, but early communication and defining the type of behavior expected still pay off. Many of today's families play by these rules but they are not high-profile.

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School News

Lessons on ice

Students from grades six, seven and eight at Tamworth Public School took a lesson outside of the classroom on Monday, March 21.

They took to the ice at the new community arena and enjoyed a lesson in curling.

The "teachers" were members of the Tamworth & District Curling club, who volunteered their time and talents to work with the kids.

Linda Hinchey, a member of the Curling club and volunteer at the school, organized the afternoon event.

"I had talked to a few of the students and felt they might be interested in an organized group lesson."

To help teach the kids, Mrs. Hinchey enlisted the help of seven volunteers from the Club, including Garry Bradshaw, Marion Coulter, Norman Bradshaw, Vern Coburn, Wayne Kells, Karin Coburn and Shirley Dickinson.

A total of 42 kids participated.

Teacher Margaret Gibbons was also at the arena. "The students in my grade 7-8 class have really enjoyed this," she said. "This is the first opportunity most of them have had to curl, and I think they would be happy to have the chance to try it again."

Mrs. Hinchey is hoping many of them will have that opportunity, if the Curling club is able to organize a junior league.

"It is too late in the season now to get a league established," she said, "but we would like to start one in the fall, if there is enough interest."

Clarence Kennedy, the Tamworth Public School principal agrees. "We hope to conduct a survey, to find out how many of the kids might be interested in getting a league going.

"I think it would be great," he said, "We have seen a lot of interested generated here today, between the students and the Club members. We hope to keep that interest going."

Curling Club member Marion Coulter explains the fine art of curling to Tamworth Public School student Sophie Harrison-Saxe, as Sarah Gaffney looks on.

Tamworth bantams, who lost the A Championship on the last puck of a five-shot shoot-out to break a tie game. Left to right, in the front and second rows, are: Jim Hayes (trainer), Kale Murphy, Jamie Hinchey, John Hayes, Kendall Mason, Steve Madden, Ryan Lyman, Todd Vansteenberg, Dave Madden (coach), Scott Bell, Ryan Lessard, Andy Slack, David Allore, and Tom Hinch. Missing from the photo are Virginia Hayes (manager), Evert Vansteenberg (assistant coach) and Tim Huffman.

Each week, an enthusiastic group of men and women turn up at the Tamworth Legion for line dancing. If you'd like to give it a try, you are more than welcome to drop by.

Sports

"C" Division Champs

Tamworth boys have won the "C" division championship for Lennox and Addington County in three of the last four years.

Tamworth boys "C" Division 1994 Champs are (front row, left to right) Blair McDonald, Jason Smith, Tom McCumber, Chris McLaughlin. (Second row, left to right) Darren Kells, Jay Maxwell, Jason McLaughlin, Chris Goodwin, Blair Spensley. (Back row, left to right) Raymond Allen, Darren Hannah, Brian Oliver, Bill Vankoughnet and Michael Saxe. Missing is coach Stewart Ross.

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Women helping women keeps WI's strong

They have grown significantly since1897, but Women's Institutes, (WI's) are still faithful to their founder's wishes of wanting to provide women with the opportunity for "personal growth and community action".

After her infant son's death from milk fever, Adelaide Hunter Hoodless, an Ontario farm woman wanted a way to educate other mothers about the importance of pasteurized milk.

There already was a Farmer's Institute and Mrs. Hoodless was invited to speak at one of their "Women's Nights." She proved to be a very popular speaker, and shortly thereafter formed the first Women's Institute near Hamilton.

There is now a provincial body known as the Federation of Women's Institutes of Ontario (FWIO) with numerous branches. The FWIO will be celebrating its centennial in 1997.

Locally, there are 15 branches within this district which covers from Reidville to Adolphustown, and south to Millhaven.

"Sometimes the name of the group is confusing because it does not correspond to the place name," says district Public Relations Officer, Valerie Smith.

Lobbying for better hygiene in the care and handling of milk and the pasteurization of all milk was really the first big project the WI undertook, and there have been many more since.

"Most of them have had to do with health and hygiene around the home, because that is where women are and have been," says Mrs. Smith. "but women are in the community too, so that is where we are too."

The original concept of providing opportunities for community action and personal growth has never been strayed from, but Mrs. Smith said the groups almost got too big for themselves, and are now moving back to the grass roots.

"It started with one member teaching the other women a skill or giving some information that she had, and things expanded to the point where the FWIO was offering three and four day courses, but now we're going back to learning from each other, or having a member bring a guest speaker."

The courses were wonderful and very informative, says Mrs. Smith, but they were, and are very expensive, so the women started going back to doing things at the branch level.

"There is a real give and take between the branch and provincial level and no one has lost sight of the original goals," Mrs. Smith says.

She says the WI's seem to known more as a "cooking and crafts" kind of group because so much of their focus is on the home, but the groups have sponsored seminars and courses on a variety of different subjects including self-defense and stress management.

"The idea is to share the information with each other, and then we are able to expand into the community with it."

The branches often bring in guest speakers, but Mrs. Smith says sometimes a member will have a topic she would like to speak about.

"That is the personal growth—everyone sharing their skills, and the community action often follows," Mrs. Smith says.

A can recycling project, and informing women about the importance of doing self-examination for signs of breast cancer are two of the community action projects the WI's have been involved with.

"By being community oriented we can get more women involved, but the great thing is that each woman can be involved to whatever extent she wishes to be," Mrs. Smith notes. That is our real strength—still helping each other learn."

Valerie Smith is the district public relations officer for the Women's Institutes in our community. There are 15 branches within our district, which covers from Reidville to Adolphustown, and south to Millhaven. Over the years, the groups have sponsored seminars and courses on a variety of different subjects.

Women's Institute donates scholarships.

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By Carolyn Brown
For The Whig-Standard

The 67th annual meeting of the Kingston Convention Area Women's Institute was held at St. Mark's Anglican Church, Barriefield on Oct. 20.

This convention included Frontenac, Lennox and Addington and Leeds counties. The Federated Women's Institute of Ontario is made up of 14 conventions, a membership of 14,000.

The theme, Stand Up! Speak Out! Be Proud to Be a W. I. Member, projected a positive surge throughout the crowd of more than 133 rural women. There was enthusiastic applause at the announcement of two new branches established in downtown Toronto – not the most rural spot in Ontario. The third new branch is Westside, west of Kingston.

The Women's Institute motto, "For Home and Country", is far reaching to all levels in the organization which stands for personal growth and community action. The overall objective is to assist and encourage country women to become more knowledgeable and responsible citizens.

Training and assisting youth in the 4-H organization is one of the most important functions of the W. I.

Scholarships were awarded to two students entering university. Andrea Grenville, of Leeds County, a biology major at Queens University, won the Provincial 60th Anniversary F.W.I.O. scholarship for writing the most outstanding essay on the "Future and Year 2001."

Ammette Martin, of Lennox & Addington, a student at Ottawa University studying Criminology, was the recipient of the Annie G. Haggety Scholarship for writing on the same tonic. This competition covered the eastern region.

Margaret Eberle, President of the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario was the guest speaker. Mrs. Eberle was very enthusiastic concerning the future and growth of the Women's Institute Ontario.

She spoke about the new headquarters in Guelph Township, Park House, situated in a beautiful conservation area. There will be an increase in outreach workshops for 1994, more emphasis on childcare conferences and a big public relations push is abreast across the province.

For the first time, each member will be given the opportunity to have input into the future of the Women's Institute by answering a questionnaire circulated to the whole membership.

The entertainment after lunch was a real highlight for the day. The Joyceville Public School Girls Choir, directed by Mrs. Meg Bell and accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Darlene Mangan, brought the house down.

As Mrs. Shirley Clow, the co-director stated, "These young ladies make us feel that our future is going to be in good hand."

Audrey and Laura Burns, sisters, played a lovely violin duet. Jessie Mangan, a very talented and award winning step dancer, made everyone feel like kicking up their heels. If any group needs to find some new and talented entertainment, go no further than the Joyceville Public School.

The new slate of officers are:

Past President-Mrs. Elaine Williams - Camden East

President-Mrs. Grace Leclaire-Brockville

1st Vice-President- Mrs. Connie Harris - Kingston

2nd- Vice-President-Mrs. Judy Smith- Napanee

Secretary-Treasurer-Mrs. Corolyn Lawlor-Camden East

Public Relations-Mrs. Pat Barnes-Consecon

Provincial Board Director-Mrs. Irene Tennant-Mallorytown

Provincial Board Alternate-Mrs. Shirley Wilson- Elgin

Tweedsmuir Curator-Mrs. Maysil Morgan- Roblin

Resolutions-Mrs. Rowena Raycraft-Napanee

Program Coordinator-Mrs. Linda Spicer-Brockville

New Branch Organizer-Mrs. Valerie Smith-Selby

Auditors-Mrs. Helen Brown-Enterprise, Mrs. Dorothy Wilson-Enterprise

Women's Institute kicks off its centennial celebrations

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The Federated Women's Institute of Ontario will welcome over 3,500 members and friends to the Ontario Agricultural Museum in Milton on Wednesday, June 14 to a Quilt Show and Turkey Barbeque. Visitors from across Ontario are expected to arrive at 9 a.m. for a full day of events to kick off the celebrations planned to honour the 100th Anniversary of the Women's Institute.

The first Women's Institute branch was formed in 1897 at Stoney Creek, Ontario in response to a concern for the safety of food. The determination of those early members was rewarded when the pasteurization of milk became a reality. It was not long before the reputation of this Women's Institute branch spread, and new groups formed across Ontario, across Canada, and finally worldwide. Today, Women's Institute members are proud to uphold that "community spirit" of which Ontario can be so proud as they meet the needs of the community and the personal growth of its members.

As the February 19, 1997 Anniversary date approaches, the Federated body of the Women's Institute in Ontario has been actively orchestrating a number of Centennial projects to involve members from across the Province. To date, competitions have been held for members to design a logo, the face of a Limited Edition porcelain plate, the words and music to a Women's Institute song, and a quilt.

On Wednesday, June 14, the winning quilt from the quilt competition will be unveiled at the Agricultural museum. Entries to this quilt competition will hang in the Gambrel barn for public viewing throughout the summer months.

Business Profile

Striving to meet the needs of Tamworth customers

Since the grocery store in Tamworth went under the Store-House Market name last September, things have really been going well.

"By not being tied to one label or chain, we are free to buy from a number of different suppliers, so we can shop around for the best prices, which we then pass on to our customers," says store manager Isidore Cybulski.

The store has a full service deli, and in-store bakery so the customers can get everything they need all at once.

Mr. Cybulski says the store's meat department is one of its best.

"We have our own abbatoire where we do our own custom slaughtering and smoking, so there is an element of freshness in the meat that perhaps gives us an added advantage," Mr. Cybulski notes. "I'll go head to head with any large store or chain any day."

He has been in the grocery business 17 years and has been with this company, which is owned by Gary Hartin for three years.

This last year has been especially good as Mr. Cybulski feels they are really meeting their customers' needs, and are continually trying to respond to customers' suggestions.

"For example, we have expanded our health and beauty department as a result of requests from customers, and now I think people will find just about anything they want in that area."

Another way the store has responded to the community is with fundraising efforts.

Last summer and fall when funds were being raised for the new community centre/arena, Store-House Market held several functions to help the cause.

Isidore Cybulski is the manager of the Store-House Market in Tamworth. He has 17 years of experience in the grocery business. Mr. Cybulski takes pride in the way the store serves both its customers, and the community at large.

Whether it is sponsoring a barbecue for fundraising, or whatever the project, Mr. Cybulski says there is "not too much going on that we are not involved with in one way or another."

He says the projects or sponsorship varies depending on the situation, but it is very important to him that the store remain involved as it is a "way to give back to the community what we take in."

He is very grateful the local residents support Store-House Market by shopping there, so he wants to return the support.

"A grocery store is kind of the 'anchor' in a small community like Tamworth, so we want to respond to our customers by getting involved in the community, and by giving the best personal service we can."

The store operates with a fairly small staff, but Mr. Cybulski says that is supplemented by state of the art technology at the check-out.

"We have electronic cash registers, and we are equipped to take the bank debit cards as well, so customers have several options with us."

Although things have been going along very well, Mr. Cybulski says they are always striving for improvement.

"We have focused on improving our produce department lately, and we will improve other areas as we see it to be necessary, or as our customers request."

Aiming to always give the best prices and the best service to customers is keeping the Store-House Market in Tamworth as a very strong anchor in the community.

Marg McLaughlin is now in charge of a brand new program for children

Marg McLaughlin of Tamworth is now the supervisor of the Lennox & Addington Resources for Children Before and After School Program.

Mrs. McLaughlin has her diploma in Early Childhood Education, and before accepting her new position, had worked with LARC on a casual basis, helping out when needed in the community day care centres.

She has also gained a good deal of experience as coordinator of the Tamworth Cooperative Playgroup. The group meets on Tuesday and Friday mornings.

And Mrs. McLaughlin has had plenty of hands-on experience at home, with her own three children.

As supervisor of the Before and After School Program, Mrs. McLaughlin will be responsible for providing a safe, caring, entertaining and educational environment for children from our local areas schools.

The Program is run from a classroom at Napanee & District Secondary School, and is designed to provide parents with excellent quality care for their children outside of school hours, while they are at work.

"At the present time, we haven't begun the before school program," said Mrs. McLaughlin. "We are waiting for a few more children to enroll. We have however launched the after school program."

Mrs. McLaughlin has a program of arts, crafts, board games, as well as outside activities and sports for the children.

The after school program runs from school dismissal, until 6 p.m.

The before school program will run from 7 a.m. until school begins. All-day care will also be offered on PA Days.

Parents can choose before or after school care, or both. Or they may just need to use the program on PA Days. It is designed to be flexible.

If you would like further information on the Before and After School program for your children, please call the LARC offices at 354-6318.

Marg McLaughlin

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Tamworth Lions work quietly

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Quietly working away, without much fanfare, Lions Clubs throughout the world, as part of the largest service organization, continue day after day to improve the quality of life for many people.

The Tamworth and District is part of this tradition, and adheres to the Lions motto, "Service".

This Lions club donated $500 to Seniors Outreach to help with the Meals-on-Wheels program.

They also donated $200 to help a local family, the Farenechs, after their home and contents were totally destroyed by fire on December 20.

The Tamworth Lions Club also gave out 21 Christmas food baskets at a cost of $960. A donation was made to supply Christmas candy for the Centreville Christmas parade.

A contribution of $300 was made to the Kidney Foundation and $600 to the James Witney program, which covers various service programs in Lions District A.

A donation for door prizes was given to the Marmora Fun and Talent Night.

In support of good citizenship, the Lions Club gave 49 students from Enterprise and St. Mary's Schools, VIP plaques, at a cost of over $300.

In these and many other ways, the Tamworth and District Lions quietly work to improve the quality of life in our communities and in world communities.

When you support Lion functions, you support your community.

Lion Sam Camilleri of Erinsville is presented with a Melvin Jones Award at a meeting of the Tamworth and District Lions Club. This is the highest award honour that can be bestowed by Lions Clubs International.

Camilleri honoured by the Lions

Lion Sam Camilleri of the Tamworth and District Lions Club has been named a Melvin Jones Fellow by Lions Club International Foundation.

This Erinsville resident has been honoured with the Foundation's highest honour, which was named for Melvin Jones, the founder of Lions Club International.

In recognition of his commitment to humanitarian service, Lion Sam recently received a finely crafted plaque and lapel pin.

Lions International, the largest service club in the world, recognized Lion Sam as part of a growing network of individuals dedicated to improving the quality of life for people locally and in communities around the world.

Once a month, on a Saturday afternoon, the Old Tyme Fiddlers gather at the Lakeview Hotel at Highway 41 on Beaver Lake. A warm gathering with lots of fun for those of us who enjoy valley fiddling, step dancing and the conviviality of friendly people.

Terry Burn's reserve champion steer was sold to Dave and Ed Hannah of Tamworth.

Prize catches at Fishing Derby

It was a mighty fine day for the Sheffield Volunteer Firemen's Fishing Derby on Saturday, March 5.

Judging by the success, this will be only the first of annual derbies sponsored by the firemen.

Winning $75 for the largest pickerel was Jim Delyea. The $50 prize for the largest pike went to Terry Neale.

Justin Neale won the kids prize for this event.

The winner of the Beaver Lake Salmon was Christine Heals, who was visiting with her two-year-old niece, Wilma Kimmet.

A variety of other prizes were won as well. Howard Tompkins of Centreville won a voucher, donated by the Erinsville General Store.

Faye Whitlock won the prize from Village Video. Doug Monds won a voucher from Muriel's Hairdressing. Janet Youmans won the prize donated by R. & B. Gas Bar, and Derek McMullen won the gift from the Store House Market.

Mark Young won a prize donated by McKenny Automotive and Willard Kehoe won a rod and reel, donated by Marlbank Bait and Tackle.

Greg Storring won an ice fishing rod and knife, donated by Riverside Laundry.

Chris Barton won the prize donated by a mystery anonymous donor, and Kim Whitelock won a pizza, courtesy of Grindstone Pizza.

Not to let the cultural sector of our community be outdone, Rick Smith and the Free Beer Band donated a prize, won by John Clement.

Charlene Blakely won an outdoor thermometer from Bradshaw's Feed Mill. And Neal Godfrey won the prize donated by the Kountry Kitchen Restaurant.

Congratulations to all the winners.

Jim Delyea (left) caught the largest pickerel in the Sheffield Volunteer Firemen's Fishing Derby. Justin Neale had the largest kids entry, and Terry Neale (right) reeled in the largest pike.

Family fun day a hit

For years now, on the day of the Lions Fishing Derby in Tamworth, two local businesses, Storring Real Estate and Tamworth Home Supply, donate the fixings for a free community breakfast.

San Camilleri, Past District Governor of the Lions, was chief organizer of the event this year but certainly without the willing and cordial cooperation of other Lions and wives, the task would have been impossible.

Set up began in the Sheffield-Camden Arena at 6:30 a.m.

Breakfast was scheduled to begin at 8 a.m. but there are always some hungry souls who arrive early, so the line ups and eating actually began at 7:30 a.m.

Mounds of sausage, pancakes with real butter and lots of syrup, coffee and tea were served and consumed in this friendly, traditional breakfast.

While the breakfast was free, there was a donation box for those who wished to contribute to the Arena Building Fund.

Mary Buck, with her daughters Christine and Angela, enjoy both the food and the ambience at the annual free breakfast in the Sheffield-Camden arena in Tamworth. March 5, 199-

James Morey of Tamworth proudly displays his 3 lb. 6 oz. pickerel that won him second prize of $75 in the Lions Annual family fishing derby on Beaver Lake.

If you missed seeing the box, don't worry. Funds are still being collected so there will be other opportunities to contribute.

After breakfast, it was out to the ice for the Tamworth and District Lions Club 11th annual Family Fishing Derby.

While there are prizes available for this event, the real emphasis is on family.

And the promise was kept — the temperatures moderated somewhat. Still cold, but not the extreme kind of cold we have been experiencing.

Winning $100 for the largest pickerel was Dave Patricquin, with a nice size catch of 5 lb. 13 oz. Second prize of $75 in the pickerel class went to James Morey with a 3 lb. 6 oz. beauty.

Challenging pickerel were caught by Mark Oliver, Katie Courneya, Dave Oliver, Wayne Kennedy, Pat Bennett and Michelle Bennett.

In the pike division, Pat Bennett won the $75 first prize with a 6 lb. 13 1/2 oz. catch.

Arnold Delye took the $50 second prize with a 5 lb. 12 oz. keeper.

Also entered in this division were Gary Wood, Colin Asselstine, Howard Tompkins, Charlotte Courneya, Michael Courneya, Jason Morely, Mary Montgomery and Jason Neale.

And you just don't know what those Lions are going to do next.

There was supposed to be a $10 prize for the boy and girl under 12 years of age who caught the largest fish.

Lion Neil Milligan lined up all of the boys and girls, 12 and under, and they each received $10.

A nice surprise for the boys and girls and a fine gesture by the Lions Club on this family fun day.

Tamworth Lions encourage fitness at the arena

Tamworth: Tamworth & District Lions Club is sponsoring Skating at the Community Centre on Wednesdays. Everyone is welcome. If walking is what you prefer, take a walk around the rink. "Eight trips equal one mile". You just might happen to meet a friend. photo/Chris Jones

Teaching piano to Tamworth kids

A new talent has moved to Tamworth in the person of Michelle Pyatt.

Mrs. Pyatt and her husband, formerly of Toronto, lately from Kingston, found Tamworth, checked its facilities, which included a modern medical center, a bank, a library a post office, shopping etc. and decided to settle down here

Mrs. Pyatt is a piano teacher who completed grade 10 with the Royal Conservatory of Music in Toronto.

She currently returns to Toronto each summer to work on her A.R.T.C. (Associate of the Royal Conservatory Teacher).

Mrs. Pyatt is teaching piano at Tamworth Public School on a contract with the Lennox and Addington Board of Education.

She also teaches in her Tamworth home.

With seven years of teaching experience behind her, Michelle is hoping to find more students in the Tamworth area.

Students at Tamworth Public School study piano. At the keyboard is Lisa Mitchell, next to her is Krystal Moss and then music teacher Michelle Pyatt. On top of the piano, left, is Trudy Moss and on the right, Andrew Poll.

Mrs. Pyatt feels students, age six or seven, are old enough to begin studying the piano. She also enjoys teachi[illegible] adults.

[illegible] teaches ORFF, [illegible]n and movement introduction to music, suitable for children up to 12 years of age.

On Sundays, she can be found playing the organ in Church. She can be reached at 379-5545.

Legion Branch 458's color party marched up Main St. in Tamworth.

November 11, 1993.

Waiting to lay wreaths on the cenotaph in Tamworth.

Helping you do-it-yourself

Jim McDonald was born and raised in Tamworth and wanted to work in his own community.

Seeing a need for a company that catered to the "do-it-yourselfer", Mr. McDonald opened McDonald's Rentals, Sales and Services in Tamworth 14 years ago.

"I don't go after the industrial market, but we do have either for sale, or rent, just about anything the homeowner or light contractor would want," Mr. McDonald says.

There is a lot of cross over in what Mr. McDonald sells and what is available for rentals from the store, including chain saws, roto-tillers, aerators, and large items of garden equipment.

His sales department also carries riding mowers and parts for most lawn and garden equipment.

Catering to the light contractor or someone who is doing work on their own home, Mr. McDonald has generators, scaffolding, post augers, wood splitters and other light construction material for rent.

"So much of this type of thing is not used on a regular basis, it makes more sense to rent it rather than buy it--so I started the rental business," Mr. McDonald notes.

There was no service available in the Tamworth area for machinery such as riding mowers, so Mr. McDonald incorporated a service department into the business.

"We service everything we sell, so people know they can come back here if there are any problems with the equipment," Mr. McDonald says.

Offering a high level of customer service is important to Mr. McDonald and he says that has attributed to his success in the business.

"I always try to treat a customer fairly--that's the biggest thing."

Having "worked out" for a number of years, Mr. McDonald enjoys "being my own boss".

He adds that being in uncertain economic times has been a bit of a drawback, but he has had the support of his family to help him through those times.

Working in the store with Mr. McDonald is his wife Gail and their daughters Keri and Amy who work part-time.

The store is open Monday to Friday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. They are closed Sundays.

McDonald's Rentals, Sales and Services is located at 704 Addington Street West (County Road 4) as you come into the main area of Tamworth.

The phone number is 379-2219.

Drive in to Moss' Garage

Kevin Moss has enjoyed working with cars since his high school days, and has been able to develop that interest into a prosperous business in Tamworth.

He majored in auto mechanics and started as an apprentice with McGrath's Garage in 1972.

Mr. Moss continued working at the garage, and purchased the business in 1985.

He enjoys the variety of the work he does, as it involves "just about everything from brakes to computer diagnostics".

The garage also offers service for trucks, diesel engines and farm tractors.

As part of the service work, Moss' Garage will do "field calls" to help the farmers who are having mechanical difficulty with their tractors.

Working with a variety of people is something Mr. Moss says gives him a lot of satisfaction.

"I also enjoy getting to know new people, and know that I am giving good service to my customers," Mr. Moss says.

He takes the time to listen to his customers, and also takes care to explain the repair work that may be necessary.

He says he and his staff are very thorough. They try to do the best job possible to please the customers.

He offers lifetime warranties on mufflers, shocks, brake pads and brake shoes.

Mr. Moss has four staff people working with him, Brian Wagar, Steve Marshall, Helen Lucas and Donna Moss.

As with many small businesses, Mr. Moss says the last two years have been difficult.

Kevin Moss

"With the recession, business has dropped a little, but is starting to pick up again now."

At the present time, Mr. Moss has no plans to expand his business.

"We would just like to keep trying to serve this area as best we can, and help our customers as we have been doing in the past," Mr. Moss says.

Moss' Garage is located at R.R. 2 Tamworth. The phone number is 379-2231.

Mr. Moss and his staff look forward to continuing a good relationship with the clients they have. They also hope to develop a good working relationship with any new clients who call and come to them for service.

Septic systems are their speciality

Rural home and cottage owners rarely think about their septic systems until something goes wrong.

Recognizing a need for service in the area, Grant Storring started his own company, Storring Septic Service in 1972 with his son Greg.

The business is still jointly owned by Greg who runs the truck and makes the service calls. Vera Storring, Greg's mother, is the other partner in the company.

Mrs. Storring's involvement in the business is to take calls and she also does the bookkeeping work, while Greg Storring's wife Cheryl also takes calls---so this is still very much a family run operation, with help from other family members and friends.

Grant and Greg Storring started out doing all of the installation and pumping work when they first set up 22 years ago. However, they are strictly a pumping service now, as that seems to be where there is more demand.

The family has a beef farm operation on their homestead near Tamworth which also demands a lot of their time and energy.

I enjoy meeting lots of people, and getting out into the countryside, so being out with the truck is very rewarding work," Mr. Storring says.

The long hours do get to him sometimes, but he says "that's one of the pitfalls of this type of business."

Storring Septic offer this very essential service covering a wide part of this area: from west of Highway 38 to just east of Highway 41 and south to Highway 2.

Mr. Storring maintains that offering good service and building good customer relations is one of the reasons for the continuing success of the business.

There are no plans in the immediate future to expand the business, at the present time .

Storring Septic Services is a government approved company. Various tests and inspections are carried out periodically. Test results are monitored by the Ontario Ministry of Energy and the Environment.

The Tamworth family are available almost any time for calls, and can be contacted at either 379-2192, or 379-2973.

"This type of business my father saw a future in, and there certainly has been, and will continue to be for the family," Mr. Storring says.

Greg Storring began Storring Septic Service with his father, Grant, in 1972.

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A nice place to call home

A day trip to the Napanee area to help a friend find a new home opened up a whole new chapter in Peggy Tainsh's life.

"I was living near Palgrave, north of Toronto," said Mrs Tainsh, "and my friend, Jean Wood, asked me to take a drive down to Napanee with her, to look at an apartment she was interested in.

"I had also been thinking about moving further away from the Toronto area," she said.

Mrs. Tainsh had owned her own business for many years in the Rexdale area. It was a paint and wallpaper store, started by her late husband. "When he died 21 years ago, I took over running the business," she said. "I ran it for 16 years, then decided to retire."

While in Napanee with Mrs. Wood, Mrs. Tainsh spotted a house advertised for sale in the Tamworth area.

"I fell in love with it, and decided to make Tamworth my new home." That was just four years ago.

As a new member of the community, Mrs. Tainsh decided the best way to make new friends would be to get involved in some of the seniors programs in the area.

"The first thing I did was play bridge at the S.O.S.," she said. "I found that a good way to meet people."

While there, Mrs. Tainsh saw a notice saying the S.O.S. was looking for volunteers. She signed up and soon afterwards, learned that Mary Reill was looking for someone to take over the coordination of the Meals on Wheels program in the Sheffield area.

She has been working with the program for more than three years now.

Many seniors in the Tamworth area also enjoy a Morning Out program at the Tamworth Library.

"It's the last Wednesday of every month," said Mrs. Tainsh.

The morning begins with cards — euchre and bridge — from 10 a.m. until 12 noon.

After cards, prizes are given out, and the group gathers for lunch.

Mrs. Tainsh makes up plates of sandwiches, and Lena Corey usually provides a delicious cake, or other desserts. Phyllis Gibney often helps out with the dessert preparation as well.

"Everyone seems to really enjoy the Morning Outs," said Mrs. Tainsh. "We generally get between 12 and 20 people, and there is always room for more.

"I think Morning Out is a great way for people who are new to the community to meet people and make friends," she said

Mrs. Tainsh has also become very active in the Tamworth Legion Branch 458 since moving to the area.

"I had never belonged to the Legion before," she said, "I had served in the British Army during World War II, in both Britain and Egypt, so I was eligible to join. I thought it would be another way to get to know people."

For the past couple of years, the Tamworth Legion has offered a seniors club. "Dorothy Sampson and Muriel Ross helped get it started," said Mrs. Tainsh.

"We meet every Friday afternoon, at 1:30 p.m."

Again, bridge and euchre are the games of choice, and new players are always most welcome.

Mrs. Tainsh also enjoys the Line Dancing at the Legion, on Wednesday evenings, from 8 p.m. until roughly 9:30 p.m.

"It's great fun," she said, "and everyone is welcome — it's not just for seniors, it's for all ages."

Mrs. Tainsh has also met a number of people in the Napanee area as a volunteer at the Lennox and Addington County General Hospital coffee shop.

"I think this is a great place to spend your retirement years," she said."Tamworth is a nice community, and the people have been so friendly. I am happy to make my home here."

If you are new to the community, or simply newly retired, Mrs. Tainsh says you are most welcome to call her for more information on the programs in which she is involved. You can reach her at 379-2154.

Peggy Tainsh enjoys spending her retirement years in the Tamworth area and finds there is always plenty to do.

The Tamworth W.I. gave $200. for firemen's building fund including a $100. donation from Mrs. Lois Claxton in memory of her mother, Mrs. George Kemp.

Tamworth Seniors present cheque for fireman's building fund

Tamworth: The Sunshine Club has been going for ten years. It's members are residents of the Riverside Apartments in Tamworth. They do their own fund raising.

Mr. Butcher has been president of the Sunshine Club for 2 1/2 years. The building they reside was constructed in 1983 and the average resident is between 50 and 90 years of age.

Recent outings in August included a trip to the Lake on the Mountain in Picton and a picnic to Beaver Lake. Other activities include monthly birthday parties, outings and day trips.

Mr. Len Pringle, a resident of the Riverview Apartments in Tamworth passed away, September 12, 1994 and was buried on the 14th of September.

The group has made a generous donation to the much needed Fireman's Building Fund. They are always stepping in the right direction.

Tamworth: Seniors donated dollars to the Fireman's Building Fund in Tamworth recently. A cheque was presented in memory of the late K. Allen and Tom Bird, both who were residents of the Riverview Apartments. In the photo from L to R - Ken Rombough, Bryden Long, Jim Beattie, Bert Coughlin, Maurice Thompson, Mildred Thorton, Allen Murphy, Gertrude Dafoe. ***photo/J. Butcher, President of Sunshine Club***

Tamworth Play Group

by: Chris Jones

Tamworth: It's back to school already and I'm sure everyone has finally got into old schedules of lunches, bussing and homework.

Along with public and high school, play groups have started again too. The little folk look forward to this adventure. New friends, new toys and new social activities.

We, in Tamworth, have a strong playgroup which I am thankful for. It's recently been moved from the library to the community arena in the multi-purpose room.

It was an anxious start as the playgroup was a week late in commencing due to the move, but the little ones finally could renew old friendships, say hello to new faces and welcome their new teacher.

The little ones look forward to this pre-school experience and settle into the schedule of play, snack, stories and songs. It's nice to have such a service in our community.

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A family affair in Tamworth

When Marg Weese first started selling her ceramics on consignment at the Five Corners Craft Centre in Tamworth, she says she didn't know she would one day be managing the store.

"It just seems to have turned out that way, and while the ceramics are my first love, running this as a family business has brought a lot of rewards for me."

Mrs. Weese took over the management of the centre, which includes the craft store and the Devon Tea Room in September.

Her husband Brian does the woodworking items in the store, and also dons a chef's hat on the weekends. Their daughter Kimm and son Jeremy also help out.

"We are really trying to keep this as much of family business as we can," Mrs. Weese says. "That has extended to having my mother's knitted things in the store, and an aunt who does the dried flower arrangements."

She notes that Buster and Monica Vermeulen who own the building, and started the business, have been extremely helpful and supportive during this transition time.

In addition to "Marg's Ceramics", the store carries a variety of homecrafted and hand crafted items, along with gift items, cards, and there is even a "Christmas Corner".

"I try to offer a variety of items, so there is something for everyone to look at, and look for," Mrs. Weese says. "I also try to display items in a way that people are comfortable walking around the store."

Marg Weese of Tamworth took over running the Five Corners Craft Centre, along with the craft shop and Devon Tea Room, in September of this year.

She says by widening the circle of craftspeople, that is also bringing in new customers.

The Five Corners Craft Centre, which includes Marg's Ceramics and the Devon Tea Room, is located on Concession Street in Tamworth. It is open Monday to Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Thursday and Friday until 7:30 p.m. On Saturday and Sunday, they are open from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The phone number, for more information is 379-2745.

"I like to cater to all tastes, but ceramics is, and always will be my first love," she says. " I love doing it, teaching classes, and selling the products I make. To have the rest of the business doing well is icing on the cake."

Crafts, art and a spot of tea

Paul McDonald, Moncia Vermeulen, and Pat MacDowell show off a hand painted saw, specially made for Paul's mother, Eva.

Not only is the five corners area in Tamworth busy because of the traffic passing through, but because of the three businesses located in the 5 CornersCraft Centre.

The craft and gift store, "Practical and Magical " is owned by Pat MacDowell and Paul McDonald, while Buster and Monica Vermeulen run the Devon Tea Room and an art gallery.

Paul and Pat are helped in the store by Paul's son Jason, and some friends of theirs, Phil and Lorraine Gorchynski.

Darlene Szapira is "our flower expert" with her "Flowers by Darlene", so there is a wide variety of craft and gift items available.

"Practical and Magical" is, according to its owners, the "biggest little gift shop" in the area, and they enjoy displaying the work of local craftspeople.

The store offers a wide variety of unique, high quality gifts. Paul and Pat also do sign painting, decorative artwork and furniture refinishing. That is done at their workshop in Newburgh.

Convincing craftspeople that others would like to see and buy their work was somewhat difficult at first, but customers have been very supportive and the work is easier to commission now.

Next to "Practical and Magical" is the Devon Tea Room run by the Vermeulens with Pat Nowoslesky as their chef/manager. There are up to four others employed in the tea room as well.

The atmosphere is clean and bright, and the staff friendly and outgoing, which helps to bring in customers--"from all over the world!", says Mrs. Vermeulen.

Coffee, tea, scones and light lunches are served in the tea room from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily except Monday when the shop is closed.

The craft and gift shop is also open at 9 every day except Monday but does not close until 5 p.m.

Various works are on display at the art gallery on a changing basis. More information about the gallery can be obtained by calling 379-2745.

New shops in Tamworth

One business closed in Tamworth and two more open up.

You just can't keep them down in that friendliest town around!

The pastry shop, managed by Todd Steele, closed a few short weeks ago.

The store has re-opened as Sandie's Sweets and Treats with Sandy Timmerman-Vankoughnet providing delicious foods cooked in her open kitchen.

Just open a few days, but with more than 20 years of baking experience behind her, Sandy is expanding her line of baked goods.

All items are made from scratch, no preservatives and you can watch as Sandy uses the best of ingredients.

Fresh bread, buns, tarts, cream and fruit pies are selling well.

Christmas fare will soon appear and Sandy is happy to take special orders.

There is no business phone yet but you can call her at home — 379-2886 — outside of business hours which are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesday to Saturday.

Next door to Sweets and Treats is entrepreneur Joan Wakefield, operating Joan's Creations

This is an eclectic collection of arts, crafts, supplies, home made afghans, quilts, pillows and gifts.

Much of the content of the store is made by Joan Wakefield herself.

To call her at home, phone 379-5521.

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W.I. prepares for centennial celebrations

Oct. 1994

The Lennox and Addington District Women's Institutes hosted the 68th annual Kingston Area Convention at the Napanee Lions Hall on Wednesday, October 19.

The theme of the convention was "the family has the potential to change the world", in keeping with the Year of the Family.

The two other districts, Frontenac and Leeds, were also well represented with more than 130 delegates and visitors in attendance.

Donna Russet, president of the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario was the guest speaker, and she urged W.I. members to be role-makers.

"The family unit is the fuel that keeps society going," she said. "Anything affecting the family affects their communities and eventually, their countries.

The role that W.I. members have to play is to improve family and community life, because a strong community maintains a strong family."

She also emphasized that the W.I.'s have a strong credible voice that must continue to be heard.

Bonnie O'Neill, Rural Community Advisor for the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA), told the members to "blow your own horns", and reminded them that they are in the business of education and bringing about change in their communities.

The Kingston Area was pleased to present the Annie G. Haggerty scholarship to Kelly Walker of Selby who is presently attending Trent University in Peterborough. Her mother, Nava, read her letter of acceptance.

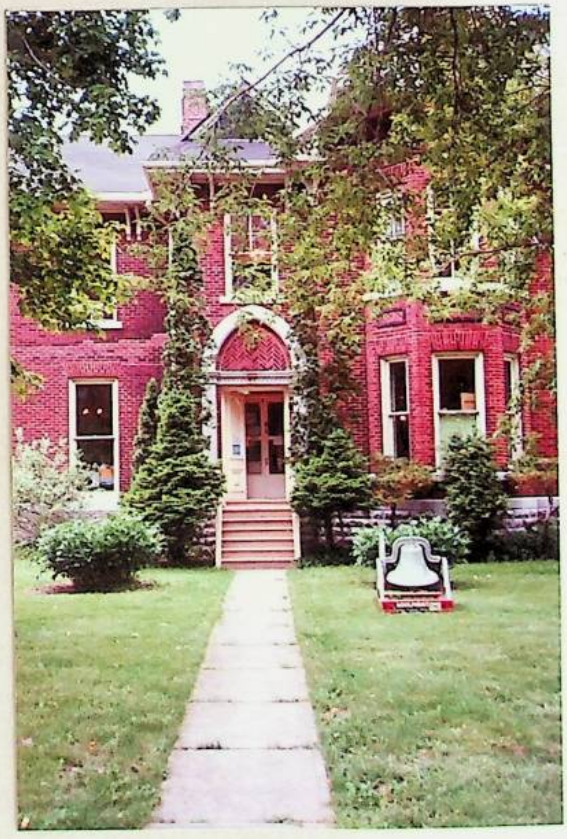
The Provincial 90th Anniversary scholarship which is given to a W.I. member who is continuing her education, was won by Anne Leveque from Joyceville, who is completing her Masters Degree.

Preparations for the 100th anniversary of Women's Institutes in 1997 have already begun, with committees working diligently on many projects, conducting quilt and song competitions, and compiling Centennial history, picture and story books

Celebrations actually begin in June, 1995.

Provincial president Donna Russet conducted the election of officers, and the executive for 1994-1995 are as follows: President Grace Leclair, Brockville; 1st Vice President, Connie Harris, Kingston; Secretary-treasurer, Corolyn Lawlor, Camden East; Public Relations, Pat Barnes, Gananoque; Provincial Board Director Irene Tennant, Malloytown; Tweedsmuir History Curator, Maysil Morgan, Roblin; Resolutions Jean Baker, Stella; and Program Co-ordinator Chris Stesky, Brockville.

— Thanks to Valerie Smith of the Kingston Area Women's Institute for providing us with this report.



On June 13th 1994 the Tamworth W.I. members visited the U.E.L. museum in Adolphustown Park.
Thanks to Marion Coulter for pictures

Adolphustown WI, Lennox-Addington

When Adolphustown Provincial Park was closed at the end of the 1992 season, local residents were concerned about the fate of Allison House located on the Park property. The House, built in 1784, served as a repository for local artifacts and United Empire Loyalist histories. Last year, UEL members and local residents arranged to operate the home as a Cultural Centre. Volunteers painted, repaired and turned one room into a Tea Room. Kathy Staples, the Tweedsmuir Curator for Adolphustown WI, was hired along with two students to staff the Tea Room four afternoons a week.

P. Richmond
E. Clayton
V. Hannah

B. Wheeler
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Joy Lloyd auctioning items at W.I. meeting

Brydon Long of Tamworth in front of hall on the highway between Fredericton and Moncton, New Brunswick.

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Sheffield successes

It has been a very productive time for Sheffield Township in the past several months.

The arena renovations have been completed and was very busy with hockey and curling throughout the winter.

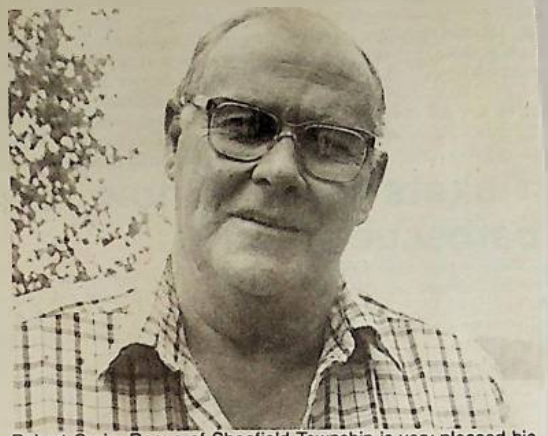
The centre is now being used as a community centre for dances such as the fundraising event held by the Sheffield Fire Department on July 2.

"It's nice to see this facility, which the community worked hard to get, being well used," says Sheffield Township Reeve Robert Craig.

He notes there is to be an "official grand opening" sometime in September, but no definite date has been set, as far as he knows.

The other issue which has turned out quite positively is the use of "bag tags" for garbage collection--or waste management as it is more properly referred to.

"That was a very bitter pill for the township residents to swallow, and we knew it would be, but the amount going to the landfill site has been reduced by about half, so the program has been successful," Mr. Craig says.



Robert Craig, Reeve of Sheefield Township is very pleased his council's waste management program has been accepted by the residents of the township, in spite of the negative reaction the bag tag program first received.

He points out that at this time last year, there were about 1200 bags being brought in to the landfill site, and now there have been around 500.

"I think in 10 or 15 years time, when we are still able to use this site, and not have to be paying to get the garbage hauled elsewhere--because there isn't another site, people will be thankful for what we've done now."

The 500 bags coming in every week are being easily covered, which makes the site a very environmentally friendly one.

At the landfill site, the yardage rate has been reduced by half which is also helpful to people, and made the bag tag issue a little easier to accept.

Mr. Craig says any money from the waste management program is being put aside to cover the cost of closing the present site, as that day will come eventually.

"At least we will not have to bear the brunt of paying for the closure and paying to have the garbage hauled as well," Mr. Craig says.

The illegal dumping which was feared to occur due to the bag tag charge has not materialized, Mr. Craig says.

"There seems to a 'neighbourhood watch' program in effect, and people are being reported, so it has not been a problem," Mr. Craig says. "If we get a report, we go and see the people, and tell them there will be a charge the next time, so it stops generally speaking."

The use of bag tags is only one half of the waste management program, he emphasizes. The other part of the program is the recycling done every Saturday.

For every blue box of recyclable materials brought in, residents receive a free bag tag. If the cans in the box are crushed, then two tags will be given out.

"If people are recycling everything they can--newspapers, cans, p.e.t. plastics and glass, they should be getting their free tags and not have to pay for them," Mr. Craig says. "It's not hard if you want to recycle."

The recycling depot is located beside the Lions Club Park on Beaver Lake, and has proved to be a very good site.

"It was a county building no longer needed, but we were able to make good use of it,"Mr. Craig says.

He notes that without the hard work of the volunteers under the direction of George Downing, the recycling program would not be as successful as it has been.

"Those people are out there every week, and it is hard work. We are very grateful to have their help.

The waste management program and the arena project are two of the most demanding issues Sheffield Township Council has been dealing with, and Mr. Craig says he is more concerned with present day issues, and does not spend a lot of time thinking about the future.

"I don't know if any of us has been thinking too seriously about the November election yet, but time will tell."

For the time being, Mr. Craig is just content to keep working with his Deputy Reeve Tony Hunt and councillors Anne Hopkins, Bob Thompson, and Charlie Norris.

"We'll just do what we have to do, and hopefully it will be in the best interest of the township."

COMMUNITY BULLETIN

DECEMBER 1994

DECLARATION OF RESULTS FROM 1994 MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

Reeve: Gerald Milligan
Deputy Reeve: Ann Hopkins
Councillors: Todd Steele, Robert Gaffney, Sam Camilleri
Separate School Board Trustee: Edward Barrett
Public School Board Trustees: Monica Smith (1391 votes)
Dale McFarlane (969 votes)

Summary of Numbers of Votes Cast

Position	Candidates	Votes	
Reeve	T. Hunt	334	Actual Voters: 993
	G. Milligan	649	Eligible Voters: 2007
Councillors	S. Camilleri	492	Turnout: 49.7%
	R. Gaffney	517	
	G. Lochhead	445	
	E. Smith	457	
	T. Steele	523	

Gerald Milligan

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This is a life-long interest

Gerald Milligan says he thinks politics is "in his blood".

"My father was a school board trustee, and took great interest in municipal, provincial, and federal politics," says the newly elected Reeve of Sheffield Township.

Mr. Milligan was Reeve during the 1988-1991 municipal term. Prior to that, he had served the township as Deputy-Reeve and Councillor, going back to 1970 when he was first elected to the council.

He was defeated by Robert Craig for the position of reeve in 1991, but decided to run again in 1994, and was elected.

"I guess the community decided they wanted me back as Reeve, and I am very happy to be in that position," Mr. Milligan says.

He says that what attracted him to politics, and keeps him involved, is the desire to "try and do something for the community, and really be involved with it".

"That, and my life-long interest in politics," he adds.

Sheffield Township has approximately 2300 residents, and takes in quite a large geographical area. This includes the Villages of Tamworth, and Erinsville, and the area around those two communities on Highway 41.

"We like to see ourselves as the 'Gateway to the North', and really in an advantageous position being in the centre of Lennox and Addington County."

Mr. Milligan says that when L&A broke away from Frontenac County in the 1800's, consideration was given to Tamworth to have the County buildings located there.

"Things would have been very different if that had happened wouldn't they?"

Tamworth is a very vibrant community, and is the home of the new Sheffield/Camden Community Centre which was finished in late 1993.

"We have enjoyed a very good relationship with Camden Township with regards to recreation, and I think it works out well for both of us," Mr. Milligan says.

He says that if amalgamation comes about in the County, with there being fewer townships, Sheffield and Camden may find themselves collaborating on even more projects.

"I would hope we wouldn't lose the Sheffield name, but a lot of those decisions will be made once the impact of both the federal and provincial budgets are known."

Mr. Milligan says he is happy to have the mix of experience and youth on his Council.

Deputy-Reeve Ann Hopkins was formerly a Councillor, but the three members of Council, Sam Camilleri, Robert Gaffney, and Todd Steele, are all newcomers.

"So far, it has been fantastic. Everyone works well together, and I think we will get a lot accomplished throughout the next three years," Mr. Milligan says.

He notes that as the area is a mix of agricultural and industrial land, as well as many home-based businesses, the economy will continue to be very diversified.

"We are the 'bedroom community' for Goodyear, but I don't know there will be any large industries like that locating here," he says. "I think there will be much more growth in the smaller areas."

Mr. Milligan knows about growth in farming, as he has a cow/calf operation, and manages a Century Farm.

"There are a lot of people who have really deep roots in this community, and I think they will want to see us make it continue to thrive as much as we can."

So far, he says there are no major issues facing council, but is looking forward to working with Council members, and the community to make the next three years successful.

It's in his blood.

Our greatest strength

Rural communities will be the leaders in terms of making better use of dwindling resources, according to Bonnie O'Neill, Rural Community Advisor for the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food, and Rural Affairs, because they have always known how to pull together and help each other.

"There are so many issues being dealt with by rural communities that they are having to become stronger," says Mrs. O'Neill.

"So many people from the community are getting involved, and groups that perhaps did not previously work together are forming partnerships, which is very positive," Mrs. O'Neill says.

This includes members of the education sector, health sector, municipal governments, other government levels, business sector, and other community groups.

It also has brought together the unemployed, youth groups, cultural groups, and labour groups working together on different projects, which Mrs. O'Neill sees as strengthening the communities.

"There are still a number of issues that need to be addressed-- like economic development, and health care, but I am very encouraged to see these groups working together."

The strength of the rural community was in evidence this summer at the various fairs

"All of the fairs are still run by Agricultural Societies, and many of them are still very strong in the agricultural component," Mrs. O'Neill says.

The Centreville Fair is very strong in that area, and is very much a community-oriented fair, whereas some of the other fairs have other drawing cards, she notes.

Bonnie O'Neill

"That shows the diversity of this county, having so many different needs to meet."

She says that while such fairs as Centreville and Odessa manage to maintain a strong agricultural component, the Napanee Fair struggles with it.

"But it is important to maintain that aspect because farming and agriculture are such important contributions to the local economy, and such a vibrant part of this area."

Perhaps the general public is not attracted to the Napanee Fair for its agricultural side, as much as the farm and rural communities are, she says, but it [the agricultural component] is important to maintain as a showcase for all that those community people do.

All of the local fairs were very well attended and supported in their communities this year.

Mrs. O'Neill says she is hopeful that more people, especially younger people will get involved as volunteers in the planning of future fairs.

"The members of the various fair boards are doing a wonderful job, but perhaps some who have been doing the job for a long time would like to step down, and have someone with new ideas come in."

She adds that the strength of rural communities has always been that "someone will do the job", and that different generations in families, and neighbourhoods have learned to work together.

"When it comes to pulling together, rural communities, including Napanee as a small town, can really lead the way."

Open house in Tamworth for new retirement residence

Owners of the privately owned, Adair Place, a new retirement residence in Tamworth, John DuChene and Earl Smith welcomed many visitors to their open house held last Sunday. The 16 unit home, including two barrier-free accessible units will be available November 1st. The common areas include a dining area, living room with fireplace and television, porch/decks on five locations, activity room for games, meetings and 10 acres of landscaped grounds. All meals will be prepared on the premises. The 480 sq. foot one bedroom apartments include a living room, four piece bath with whirlpool, a convenience counter with sink and refrigerator and storage and closet space. photo/L. J. Jackson

The Adair Place

Retirement residence in Tamworth nears completion

1994

Tamworth: Construction is nearing completion on Adair Place, Lennox & Addington's first full-service independent retirement residence.

Located just south of Tamworth, Adair Place is a unique 16-unit apartment development that will offer residents a full meal plan, private one-bedroom suites with living room, bedroom, four-piece bath including whirlpool tub, and large community living areas located inside and outside the main building.

Overlooking the Salmon River, Adair Place is being developed on the Adair Century Farm property by local residents Earl Smith and John DuChene. When questioned why such a facility was being constructed, Mr. Smith commented that he had recognized several years ago that many older people who were still active and healthy were leaving the area to find appropriate retirement facilities to meet their changing needs. This trend seemed particulary evident when people had lost their husband or wife and the family was unable to provide accommodation.

"As people get older and the family leaves the nest, they often tire of the responsibilities and work associated with owning and maintaining a house and property," commented Mr. Smith. "The problem worsens when people find themselves along, especially when it comes to cooking meals on a regular basis. This concern for health soon reaches the family, and sons and daughters begin to worry about their patient's circumstance."

Adair Place was developed in response to this need and concern which Mr. DuChene suggests will increase not only in cities but perhaps even more dramatically in rural areas as the population ages. "Living in the country has a lot of advantages and benefits that we who live in rural settings often take for granted, until we are faced with the necessity to leave."

Adair Place, however, provides a choice for people to stay, or come to the country in their later years when they are still healthy and relatively active.

Earl and John are enthusiastic about their concept of "carefree country life", and they are working hard to put the final touches on Adair Place for scheduled open houses on Sunday, October 16, and Saturday and Sunday, October 22 and 23. Refreshments will be available and interested residents and their families are encouraged to drop by for an informal tour of the building and grounds.

Located near the Tamworth Medical Centre, Adair Place is easy to find; however signs will be posted on area roads to assist visitors to the area.

For further information, call either Earl at 379-2613 or John at 379-2093.

More than the view is "Pleasant"

There's no place like home, but for seniors who are no longer comfortable living on their own, Pleasant View Retirement Home could become their "home away from home".

Cliff and Pauline Barton of Tamworth decided their property on White Lake, just off Cedar Cove Road, would be the perfect setting for a retirement home. The name, Pleasant View, seemed the natural choice. In fact the view is more than pleasant—it is beautiful.

Mr. Barton and his son began building the home in the fall of last year.

"We spent a lot of time planning, researching and working on this project," said Mr. Barton. "We wanted to make sure there was a need for this type of facility, and we found out there definitely is."

The home will be run by Mrs. Barton and Elaine Searl, the Barton's daughter.

The two women have many years of experience working with seniors.

"I worked with the Red Cross for many years, in Saskatchewan and New Brunswick, and I always worked with seniors. I enjoyed spending time with them."

Mrs. Searl worked for two years at the Village Green Nursing Home in Selby, before accepting a position with Wawel Villa, a seniors home in Mississauga.

"Elaine worked there for eight years. She looked after the residents, cooked, and helped out with the day care facilities," said Mrs. Barton.

She was also responsible for some of the ordering duties, and has gained valuable experience she will now be able to bring to Pleasant View.

"Our main goal is to provide a home with a warm, family atmosphere," said Mrs. Barton. It will be cozy too — the spotless and spacious home has been built to accommodate three seniors.

The Bartons have designed the home on two levels. The lower level features three bright, private bedrooms, along with a large bathroom. Each bedroom has private outlets for phones, and televisions.

Seniors making their homes at Pleasant View are more than welcome to bring along some of their own things to furnish their rooms, or the Bartons will supply furniture.

There is also a common room, with a beautiful view of the lake, and a kitchenette area.

"We'll have a refrigerator and microwave in the kitchenette," said Mrs. Barton. "That way, people can make their own snacks, if they wish, or use the kettle and make themselves a cup of tea."

There is a separate entrance into the lower level, for the convenience of visitors and family members.

The home is designed to accommodate seniors who use wheelchairs or walkers.

The Bartons live on the upper level, meaning there will be someone "on duty", 24 hours a day.

"Our residents will have full use of the house," said Mrs. Barton. "We expect to serve meals in the (upper) kitchen. We want them to think of this as their home."

Mrs. Barton and Mrs. Searl will also take care of laundry, and will provide towels, and if the residents prefer, the linens too.

Three home cooked meals will be provided daily, as well as snacks.

"Often seniors who live on their own don't get a proper diet," said Mrs. Barton. "My daughter and I love to cook, and bake, and we're looking forward to making them home-made meals."

Pauline Barton is looking forward to making seniors feel at home at "Pleasant View" Retirement Home in Tamworth. She and her daughter, Elaine Searl, will offer care, attention, and plenty of delicious home-cooking and baking.

They will also provide transportation to and from doctor's visits, or for shopping trips into Tamworth. Pleasant View is just a few minutes from the town, and the medical centre.

They've even arranged to provide hairdressing and barbering services, at home.

"Mary McInnis has offered to come in," said Mrs. Barton. "She is well known in the community, and does a good job."

Mrs. Barton and Mrs. Searl are also happy to provide short term care for seniors. "There may be someone who has recently been released from the hospital, and doesn't feel quite ready to go home alone," said Mrs. Barton. "We can help them out."

There is a large deck, overlooking the water, and according to Mr. Barton, there will be plenty to see outside the home too.

"We get a lot of birds, and animals, here," he said. "and there's good fishing from the dock."

There are flower gardens, and Mr. Barton says he'll put in a garden plot for anyone who likes to grow their own vegetables.

"We want this to feel like home for seniors," said Mrs. Barton, "and we'll do our best to make everyone very comfortable."

If you are interested in learning more about Pleasant View Retirement Home, the Bartons and Mrs. Searl would be pleased to provide a tour and answer any questions you may have.

You can reach them at 379-5549.

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More facts about the Act

We have obtained some further information on the Act from the Ministry of the Attorney General, and hope that this will help clarify various aspects of the bill.

Readers with questions are welcome to contact Mr. Johnson's office, toll free, at 1-800-267-3178, or you may prefer to contact your lawyer.

The Substitute Decisions Act, passed unanimously by the Ontario Legislature, takes effect early in 1995.

It is designed to protect mentally incapable people, while making it easier for family members to make financial and personal care decisions for them.

The Act updates laws on what may happen when someone is not mentally capable of making important decisions about his or her life.

These can include decisions on finances (called property management), and personal care — including health care, food, housing and safety.

According the the Ministry of the Attorney General, it also allows people to plan, in advance, for incapacity, by naming a trusted family member or friend — through a power of attorney — to make financial and personal care decisions for them, should they become incapable of doing so themselves.

According to Susan Himel, Acting Public Trustee from the Ministry of the Attorney General in Toronto, the government will not take over the property of everyone who becomes mentally incapable if there is a power of attorney, or if a spouse, partner or family member is willing and available to make decisions on the incapable person's behalf.

Under the Act, the Public Guardian and Trustee is intended to be a substitute decision-maker of last resort.

According to Ms. Himel, the new Act does not make it more difficult for family members to assume guardianship for an incapable person when there is no power of attorney.

She states the Act actually makes the process easier by providing a way for family members to take over guardianship, without going to court.

There has also been some confusion about whether or not the person who holds a power of attorney will need to provide security, or a management plan, before making decisions on the incapable person's behalf.

According to Ms. Himel, the person named in a power of attorney is not required to provide security or file a management plan. If you do not make a power of attorney, and a guardian has to be appointed, the guardian will be required to provide security and file a management plan.

The law has always required these safeguards, stated Ms. Himel, to protect the interests of the incapable person when the guardian is someone who was not selected by the individual in advance. The court can apparently reduce or waive the requirement for security, and will continue to be able to do so.

Apparently there is also some concern as to whether or not the Public Trustee will take over the property of everyone who becomes mentally incapable, even if they make a power of attorney, or have family who want to act as guardian. The Act is designed to limit government involvement to situations where there are no suitable alternatives.

By making a continuing power of attorney, people have the opportunity to make sure someone they trust will take care of their property. But even if there is no valid power of attorney, family or close friends could apply to become the person's guardian of property.

Ms. Himel indicates that the new legislation is not yet in effect. The Substitute Decisions Act will not come into effect until it is proclaimed, and proclamation is expected early in 1995.

The Ministry of the Attorney General has apparently heard from a number of people concerned that they should hurry to make powers of attorney, before the Act comes into effect, to avoid certain provisions of the new legislation.

In fact, the Ministry indicates that after the Act takes effect, all substitute decision makers — attorneys and guardians — will be subject to its provisions, no matter when the power of attorney was made, so it won't really make any difference if the power of attorney is signed before the Act is proclaimed.

They recommend planning ahead however, since it is impossible to predict when incapacity could occur.

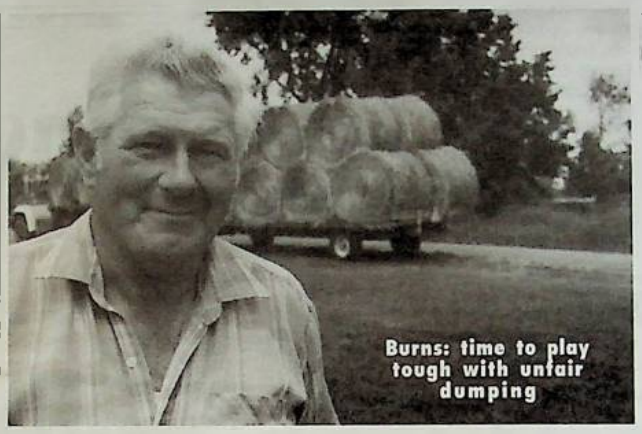
On Thursday, April 14, Bill Grange, a Napanee lawyer and S.O.S. volunteer, will be making a special presentation on this Act at the S.O.S. Morning Out program. If you would like further information about the meeting, phone 354-6668.

Eastern Ontario farm family sees solid future in beef cattle

By JOHN PHILLIPS

From the mid-1980s the doomsayers predicted the end of Ontario's beef industry. The West's cheap grain revved up Prairie cattle feeding, boxed beef came into vogue, the Alberta government helped bankroll the Cargill Corporation into beef packing at High River, and Ontario's beef plants, whether Canada Packers or Schneider, closed killing lines.

Cow herds decreased in number and larger herd sizes and feedlots failed to offset the constant erosion of producers which now stands at around 33,000. However, something happened. It's likely the Ontario government's red meat program, which set growth and breeding targets, may have played a major role in what now appears to be a welcome recovery.



Burns: time to play tough with unfair dumping

Only one major beef plant survived the savage winnowing, Better Beef Ltd. in Guelph, but 225 small abattoirs across the province are filling the vacuum. The number of cow-calf herds is increasing as many cattlemen take the same route as hog farmers: the equivalent of a farrow-to-finish enterprise.

Lifelong career

Lennox and Addington farmers Paul and Mary Burns and their 22-year-old son, Terry, have solid confidence in the future. Terry plans to make beef farming his lifelong career. The family keeps 450 stocker cattle on hand as well as 24 Hereford-cross cows and their calves, and Paul feels that market forces call for more animals in future years.

Terry learns from his father that keeping cattle is no hit and miss business. The type of animal and its weight, their farm's geography and climate, along with profit prospects, must be inter-related. Buying a 400-pound calf could result in a loss. They aim for two weight ranges: 350 or 440 pounds.

Highly specialized

An in-between animal offers a much smaller profit potential in their principal "background" market where 900-pound cattle offer the best returns. Paul explains that finishing a purchased calf is highly specialized and yields small margins. Needed grain for a good finish is too costly in his area of eastern Ontario, "so we leave most of our finishing to western Ontario farmers" some 300 miles or so away.

Usually Kent and Middlesex cattlemen buy corn $20 a tonne cheaper than in the Kingston area, and to this should be added $15 for transporting a heavy animal. "Some may be content with a $50 (bottom line) but we're not at all satisfied with that sort of figure."

Both Terry and Paul figure they cannot afford to grow grain when it can be bought at prices common in recent years — even eastern Ontario prices. Input costs more than offset profit potentials, and even relatively inexpensive land fails to give compensation. However, the coming year may be different because of much firmer corn prices.

With low grain prices as part of recent cost patterns, Paul says their 475 acres of workable land (owned and rented) plus 200 acres of rough land used for pasture give a better return. On the other hand, were his farm located in a southwest county, he would start with 500-pounders, feed them silage and finish on grain — "but you'd have to finish," he stresses.

Generally, the Burns' calves must gain 500 pounds before being shipped elsewhere for finishing. However, an owner must be flexible. Last fall they shipped their own calves at 600 pounds and grossed an average of more than $600 each. Neither Paul nor Terry could see an advantage to holding them to the normal 900 pounds-plus for bought calves.

Paul feels that under normal conditions specializing translates into healthier economics than a straight cow-to-finish approach now recommended by an increasing number of extension specialists. This is especially true of his family's enterprise where land quality differs sharply. Their cows graze rougher land where they raise a good calf but yearling steers need high-quality feed for maximum gain. Haylage is drawn from an 80 x 36 x 11-foot pit filled with a largely alfalfa mix, with silage corn stored in a 120 x 40 x 11-foot pit. Both forages are preserved with a black plastic sealant.

Feed costs, especially storage, are relatively inexpensive, a precondition of profitable beef production. Terry thinks that if close attention is paid to controlling input costs, beef cattle can provide a good livelihood in future years. "but it's not a fast way of getting rich," he says. However, to him self-fulfillment and pride of ownership are intangibles that have no price tag.

Part-timers

Paul agrees, noting that part-time farmers have a major role as a source of calves. They would have an off-farm job and in their spare time keep up to 25 cows. He sees this pattern already taking shape in Lennox and Addington, Frontenac and Hastings counties, and these producers will use breeding combinations yielding fast-growing, meaty animals.

"Somebody's got to produce beef and we can do it more economically for the Ontario consumer than anyone else," he says. Both he and Terry feel that the main stumbling block to renewed growth lies in a lack of producer enthusiasm and determination, along with Ottawa's reluctance to control dumping of cheap beef from New Zealand and Australia.

He notes that both countries respond quickly when the U.S. merely threatens corrective action. Paul Burns, a former county warden, thinks that a strong hint of "voluntary quota shipments or we cut you off" approach would produce fast results.

"By eliminating unfair competition — and I don't want subsidies — our cattle industry has a very bright future."

Thank You From The Centreville Steer Show & Sale 1994

Steer Buyers:

Grand Champion Steer, 1088 lbs: Exhibited by Terry Burns — Frank Baygan Drilling & Blasting & Staples Food & Gift Shop, Newburgh

Reserve Grand Champion Steer, 1219 lbs: Exhibited by Agnes Hagerman — Simmons Feed & Seed, Wilton

Third Place Steer, 1281 lbs: Exhibited by Kim Dillon — O'Neill's Farm Supply, Napanee

Cash Donations: CIBC, Tamworth; Kountry Kitchen, Tamworth; Tamworth Home Supplies, Tamworth; Hudson Feed Mill, Deseronto.

Other Contributions:

Quinn's Meats, Yarker:	Killing, cooling & wrapping of top 3 steers
Tom Harrison Auction, Newburgh:	Auctioneering of top 3 steers
Simmons Feed & Seed, Wilton:	Grand Champion Steer Banner
Ken Silver Construction, Tamworth:	Reserve Grand Champion Steer Banner
Wilton Cheese Factory, Wilton:	Gift Basket
Hugh Sharpe, Napanee:	Judging of Steers
Paul Burns Farm Equipment, Tamworth:	Crates for show-ring
Mountain Road Simmentals, Tamworth:	Use of weigh scales
Tamworth Store House Market, Tamworth:	Food trays

Many thanks to all steer show participants and spectators!

Terry Burns

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Royal Canadian Legion - Tamworth

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Legion is strong advocate of assistance for seniors

Although general awareness and concern for seniors has increased in recent years, the Legion has been providing support to seniors and veterans through its 1,750 branches for many years.

The involvement of local Legion branches, as well as Ladies Auxiliaries, has resulted in the establishment of at least one, or more, seniors' programs in most Canadian communities.

To help meet the growing demand for medical practitioners specializing in gerontology and geriatric medicine, the Royal Canadian Legion gives Legion fellowships to doctors, nurses, physiotherapists and occupational therapists every year to allow them to pursue post-graduate studies in gerontology. A total of $140,000 each year was approved for this program at the 1990 Dominion Convention.

Remember Them

by: Michael Phieffer
R.R. #1, Roslin

The soldiers were buried
Their names still remain
Wedges in stone,
They've gained no fame.

Fighting for their country,
They forged ahead.
Some lie in the fields
Wounded, some dead.

Poppies are red like the soldier's blood,
As they lay in the trenches in the mud.
The communities gather, they are proud.
Before the cenotaph they stand with heads bowed.

Years have passed,
The price has been paid.
Lest we forget,
The sacrifice that's been made.

Tamworth School Remembers

Tamworth: Everyone has heard of the Tulip Festival in Ottawa. The Tulip's in Ottawa were a gift from the Dutch Royal Family for Canada's assistance to them during World War II.

This year the programme - Canada Remembers will extend across the country. All branches of the Legion, along with the National Capital Commission and Veterans Affairs Canada have donated tulip bulbs to be planted in memorial gardens. These bulbs commemorate and thank all those who contributed to or participated in World War II.

Tamworth School received an invitation to participate in this programme. Forty students and two staff members participated in planting 63 tulip bulbs.

Mr. Keith King prepared the ground. The students who had relatives, serving in a war, planted the bulbs. Ted Pendlebury and the students helped turn over the ground. Doug Gillis and Mr. Ross said a few words to the students about the ceremony.

Legion Branch #458 of Tamworth members were present at the ceremony. Teacher, Stewart Ross, coordinated the process.

Why do we remember?

by: Robert Ferriman

Why do we remember
A small child said
Why do we remember
And honour the dead?

His mother looked down
And taking his hand
She slowly knelt down
And then she began.

A long time ago
Before you were born
Men went to war
And countries lay torn.

For many it was
An honour to serve
This day of remembrance
My son each deserve.

For it is those
That we grieve for
For giving their all
And then giving more.

For many have died
In order to pay
For ensuring the freedoms
That we have today.

How can you describe
The suffering and pain
Or all they endured
Fighting under the strain.

For those who survived
Are still suffering today
From wounds they received
In battles and fray.

And as each word
Went through his head
He now could recall
What she had said.

For many have fought
For freedom and died
It's those we remember
With honour and pride.

This day we'll remember
Along with the rest
Of comrades in arms
Now lying at rest.

A minute of silence
In mid of November
One minute of silence
For all to remember

The Memorial in Caen: Close to 15,000 Canadians took part in the assault on Normandy.

After 12 days of heavy fighting, on July 19, 1944, the Germans retreated and the Canadian 3rd Division liberated Caen, the first French city to be freed. A museum honours those who fought so valiantly.

Bringing peace and comfort to others

As a volunteer with Hospice L&A, Mary Reill of Tamworth doesn't think of the people she works with as clients. She thinks of them as her friends.

Mrs. Reill was born in Tamworth, but moved away for several years. She and her husband returned to make their home here in 1979.

Her volunteer work with Hospice L&A began in September, 1990, when the group was first formed.

Members of Hospice L&A are volunteers, dedicated to making the lives of the terminally ill, and their families, as pleasant and comfortable as possible.

When she first joined, Mrs. Reill, like all volunteers, was offered training through a special course.

"We are taught how to relate to the person we are working with," she said. "We also learn different ways to make them comfortable, particularly if they are bedridden." They are also told what medications they can administer, if necessary. (There are, of course, many restrictions and regulations.)

Guest speakers also attend the courses, and provide insight into how to talk with patients, and their families. Everything that is discussed between a patient and a Hospice L&A volunteer is strictly confidential.

After completing her initial training, it was quite some time before Mrs. Reill actually began working with a patient. She had however gained personal experience, dealing with the loss of members of her own family.

In the past few years however, Mrs. Reill has worked with a number of community members. "It is nice to know I can perhaps help people who are my neighbours, and friends, and provide them with some support."

The time commitment for volunteers like Mrs. Reill varies greatly, depending on the need in the community.

"I may be asked to work with a client two or three hours a day, over a period of several weeks. Or there are times when the patient needs you almost every day, for a brief period of time.

"It all depends on the clients, and each and every situation is totally different," said Mrs. Reill.

Mrs. Reill devotes her time to those in the Tamworth area, and works strictly with the terminally ill.

"This isn't for everyone," she admitted. "I had always felt I related well to the elderly." But she had never lost anyone close to her until her father, then her mother, passed away.

"I wondered how I would handle it, but I took great comfort in knowing I was with them, and there for them, when they were dying. I saw how important that kind of care is to a terminally ill person.

"I just hate to think of someone dying alone."

Mrs. Reill also takes comfort in knowing that she may also help the family members deal with the impending loss of a loved one.

"I find this work emotional, but also extremely rewarding," said Mrs. Reill.

She is also happy to be able to help out in her community, and credits other members of Hospice L&A with making the lives of others more pleasant too.

"The people involved in Hospice L&A are a very caring and understanding group. They support the family as well as the patient and work with everyone involved, as a team," she said.

Mrs. Reill anticipates there could be more demands on groups such as Hospice L&A as practices change, and people who are ill spend more time in their own homes, than at hospitals.

Like most volunteers in this community, Mrs. Reill lends a hand in other areas as well.

She is involved with the Lifeline program, coordinated by the Seniors Outreach Services.

She is also on the S.O.S team of drivers who will escort people to and from medical appointments in the Kingston area.

Mrs. Reill is an active volunteer in her community, but is also extremely modest about her volunteer efforts.

"There are so many people in this community, doing so many great things," she said. "That is what I love about small communities like ours."

Mary Reill has been an active volunteer with Hospice L&A since 1990, and now spends time with individuals in the community diagnosed with terminal illnesses. "This isn't for everyone," she admits, but says she finds the work rewarding.

Mary Kelly at Lemoden

Dr. Brett Jamieson has taken over the Marlbank practice of the late Dr. Dominic Hunt. He has come to the area from Niagara Falls, where he was involved in a very busy practice.

Branch 458 comes back from the brink

By Michael Jiggins
Editor

You don't have to tell members of the Tamworth Legion Branch 458 about the challenges facing Royal Canadian Legion branches across the country — they're all too familiar with them.

After all, it was just four years ago that a dedicated core of members decided to take hold of Branch 458, a branch that with declining membership and interest was in serious danger of losing its charter.

Now, four years and countless hours of work later, the now healthy legion can serve as an example for struggling branches everywhere.

"Sometimes it takes a few years to get things back to where they should be," says branch president Ted Pendlebury, who admits the challenges facing the Tamworth branch four years ago are similar to those confronting others today.

Through hard work, the Tamworth executive has boosted membership to 113 and, more importantly, is one of the best in the area at getting members out to events.

It's these members, stresses Pendlebury, who deserve the lion's share of credit for turning the Tamworth program around.

"It takes more than a good executive to run a great Legion, it takes great members too... and we're one of the best at getting our members out."

And a quick check of the branch's agenda shows just how important 458 is to the residents of the Tamworth area.

Covering a rural part of Lennox and Addington County that ranges from Moscow to Marlbank and Erinsville to Roblin, Branch 458 not only raises money for sports and other activities, the legion hall itself is one of the social hearts of the community.

"Sometimes it takes a few years to get things back to where they should be... I can see us going forward."
— Ted Pendlebury

As he speaks, Pendlebury is surrounded by some the 40-50 seniors who come to the Legion every Friday afternoon for cards, darts and conversation.

Sunday's the branch plays host to its junior darts program, which gives 12-15 youngsters an opportunity to learn a new skill.

That youth dart program is part of an effort legions across the country are undertaking to boost declining enrolment by opening its arms to a younger generation.

"We stress youth here," explains Pendlebury. "All legions across the country have declining membership and we are trying very hard to encourage younger people to join our organization... they are going to be the heart of the Legion a few years from now."

Another youth program Pendlebury is proud of is the youth education program. The branch sponsors a local poster and essay contest and members also visit schools to tell students what legion membership is all about.

As part of Remembrance Day ceremonies this week, members will drop in on students at Enterprise Public School.

There are also a number of war veterans in the area and Pendlebury is quick to note the membership does what it can to take care of them — after all, he notes, vets are what the legion is all about in the first place.

"There's not too many of them left around, but we try to keep them comfortable."

So, while things may have looked somewhat bleak for this rural-based legion branch just a few short years ago — there's nothing but positive talk coming out now.

Setting his sights on an ideal membership of 130 (just 17 more), Pendlebury says, "I can't see us going backwards, but I can see us going forward. We have a hard-working executive right now and they are all good people to be president in the future."

PROUD TO SERVE — Tamworth Legion Branch 458 president Ted Pendlebury is excited about the potential for growth the rural branch has shown.

Tamworth Legion donates $2,000 for Muscular Dystrophy research

After 72 hours on top of a scaffolding

Branch 458

Tamworth: Legion members witness, Ross Rosscompeau and Lee Driscoll finally returning to solid ground after spending 72 hours on scaffolding. This marathon was a fundraising attempt to provide funds for research into the intrinsic disease of muscles, known as Muscular Dysrophy.

Tamworth: Seniors donated dollars to the Fireman's Building Fund in Tamworth recently. A cheque was presented in memory of the late K. Allen and Tom Bird, both who were residents of the Riverview

Tamworth Legion, Branch 458 is happy to report the result of the fundraising effort for the Muscular Dystrophy effort.

The wind up ceremony was held at the Collins Bay Legion, Branch 631, on September 5th where the two marathon men set their feet back on the ground. Tamworth Legion, Branch 458, donated the sum of $2,000.00; exceeding dramatically their goal of $720.00.

All the money collected will be distributed in the Kingston area and Queen's University for research into Muscular Dystrophy.

The Legion members would like to extend their thanks and appreciation for the joint effort of merchants, clubs, and residents and all who contributed their time towards this worthy cause.

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30th Anniversary

honouring our flag

by Jennifer Heffernan

"A flag is more than a means of identification. It is the embodiment of what a country stands for; it is the symbol of the ethos or spirit of a people, its hopes, its aspirations, its will to live and its determination to play its role in history." - The Honourable George F.G. Stanley.

On Wednesday, February 15th, our nation will celebrate the 30th anniversary of the new Canadian flag. The search for a new flag began in earnest in 1925 when a committee of the Privy Council began to research possible designs for a national flag. The work of that committee was never completed. Later, in 1946, a select parliamentary committee was appointed with a similar mandate, called for submissions and received more than 2,600 designs. Still, the Parliament of Canada was never called upon to formally vote on a design. Once again in early 1964 another committee was formed, a Senate and House of Commons Committee and submissions were called for once again, as the 1967 Centennial celebration of Confederation was approaching. By October of '64, after eliminating various proposals, the committee was left with three possible designs - a Red Ensign with the fleur-de-lis and the Union Jack, a design incorporating three red maple leaves, and a red flag with a single, stylized red maple leaf on a white square.

Several experts were called in for the decision including heraldry experts: Alan Beddoe, a retired naval captain and heraldic adviser to the Royal Canadian Navy, and Colonel Fortescue Duguid, a heraldist and historian. Other individuals on the committee were: Dr. George Stanley, Dean of Arts at the Royal Military College of Canada in Kingston and John Matheson, and Ontario Member of Parliament.

The committee eventually decided to recommend the single-leaf design, which was approved by resolution of the House of Commons on December 15, 1964, followed by the Senate on December 17, 1964, and proclaimed by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, Queen of Canada, to take effect on February 15, 1965.

The National Flag of Canada, then, came into being - almost 100 years after the Dominion was created in 1867.

During the official ceremony inaugurating the new Canadian flag, the Honourable Maurice Bourget, Speaker of the Senate, added further symbolic meaning to our flag by stating, "The flag is the symbol of the nation's unity, for it, beyond any doubt, represents all the citizens of Canada without distinction of race, language, belief or opinion."

Significance of the flag

The Maple Leaf was historically used from the early days of Canada to symbolize the land and its people. It was first proposed as an emblem of Canada in 1834 when the Saint Jean Baptiste Society was founded; shortly thereafter, in 1836, *Le Canadien*, a newspaper published in Lower Canada, referred to it as a suitable emblem for Canada.

It was also used in the decorations for the visit of the Prince of Wales to Canada in 1860. It appears on the coats of arms granted to Quebec and Ontario in 1868 and as a distinctive emblem on the Royal Arms of Canada proclaimed in 1921. The maple leaf was for many years the symbol of the Canadian Armed Forces and was used to identify Canadian contingents in the two world wars.

Other flags used in Canada include the St. George's Cross, the Fleur-de-lis, the Royal Union Flag (Union Jack) and various forms of the Canadian Red Ensign.

Canada's red and white maple leaf flag is recognized the world over as an enduring symbol of our nation - clean, true and linked to a vast and beautiful land.

Tweed Council Deputy-Reeve and Parks and Recreation Chairman, Evan Morton has planned a brief official ceremony to honour the 30th anniversary of our flag on it's anniversary, February 15th. The breif ceremony begins at 12:15 p.m. at the Tweed Municipal Building. Members of the public are welcome and encouraged to attend.

As February 15th approaches, all individuals and businesses are asked to display their flag proudly and reflect on what it means to them to be part of our country. In the midst of the turmoil in our country. Canadians from coast to coast need to remember that we are all part of one country, and we stand proudly together under our symbol the maple leaf on our Canadian flag.

Show your pride in our great country, display your flag.

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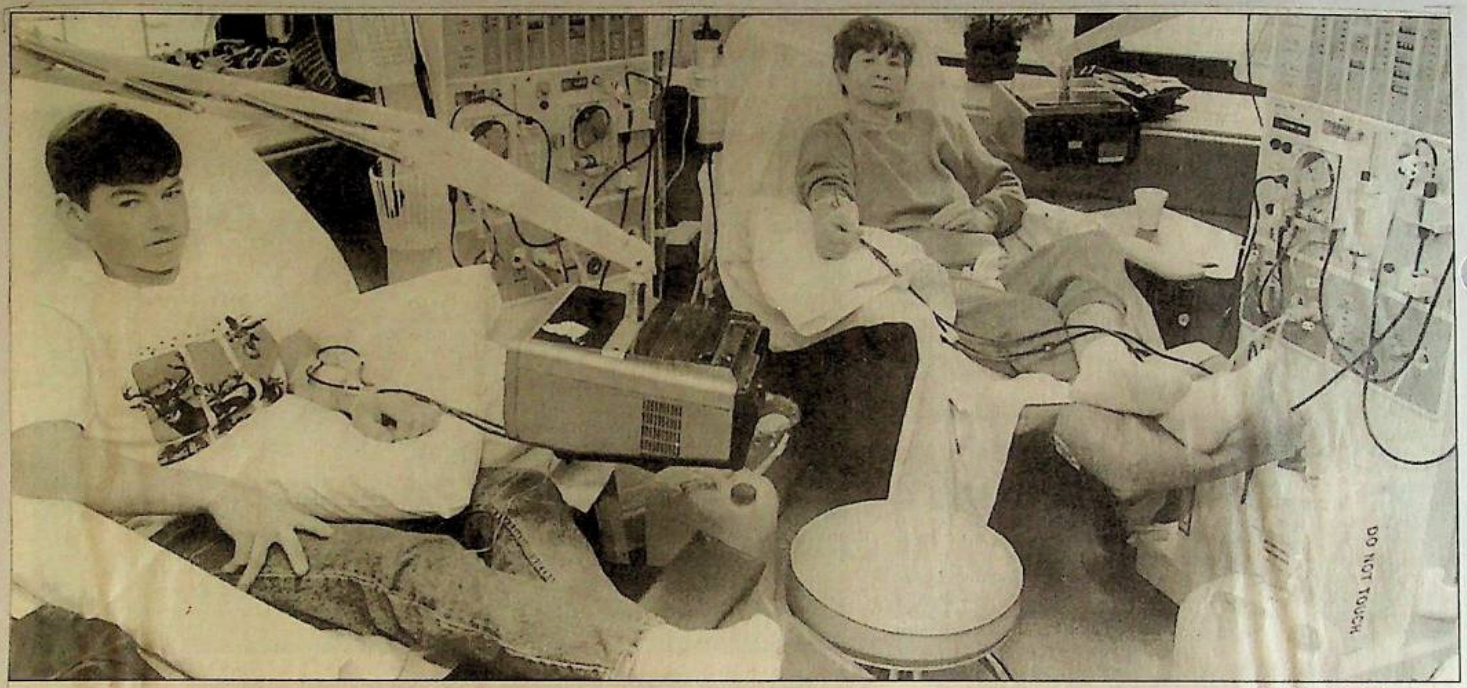

SCOTT COLBY/The Whig-Standard

Brian Gaffney (left) and Mary Cockran have been dialysis neighbors at Kingston General Hospital for a few years now

Brinsville

Patients patiently accept life-giving dialysis

By SCOTT COLBY
Whig-Standard Staff Writer

When Jeanne Wolstencroft gave birth to her son, she gave him life. It's a favor that is hard to return, but he did the best he could.

Mrs. Wolstencroft's kidneys failed about two years ago. She required hemo dialysis to stay allve.

Meanwhile, her son Kevin, who had visited a dialysis unit, decided this was no way for his mother to live.

She got a call from her mountain climbing son, who lives in Vancouver. "He asked me if I was interested in a used kidney," Mrs. Wolstencroft said.

Tests determined Kevin, who was 28 at the time, was a compatible donor for his 53-year-old mother. A successful operation was completed at Kingston General Hospital and Kevin, one of her three children, flew back to climb mountains, said Mrs. Wolstencroft.

And the Kingston Township resident only had to endure two months of dialysis.

Mrs. Wolstencroft is a success story of sorts for people with kidney failure. Some people may have to wait several years for a kidney. The organs often come from cadavers.

Mrs. Wolstencroft's life is no longer dictated by accessibility to a dialysis machine. Three times a week, for four hours at a time, people on dialysis have their blood pumped into a fancy looking machine with digital moniters and spinning gadgets.

Red tubes snake from their bandaged arms into the machine, where it is run through a filter and cleaned. The patients usually sleep, read or watch TV.

To outsiders it may be no way to live a life, but it allows life.

"It keeps you alive. It's a wonderful thing," said Mrs. Wolstencroft, who is president of the Kingston chapter of the Kidney Foundation.

March is the foundation's awareness month and its volunteers are canvassing door-to-door in the Kingston area. Last year they raised $79,000. Their goal this year is $90,000 from an area that includes Peterborough, Port Hope, Smiths Falls and the outskirts of Brockville.

Kingston General Hospital provides hemo dialysis for patients from this region. It is the only dialysis unit between Ottawa, Montreal and Toronto. KGH will be opening a satellite dialysis unit in Belleville this year.

One of the consequences of requiring dialysis is that it limits travelling opportunities. Unless they arrange to have dialysis elsewhere, they're staying close to home. It is almost impossible to book time in a dialysis unit in Toronto, for example. They're just too busy. The only alternative is to go to a private unit and that will cost about $300.

It makes travelling harder, but not impossible.

Mary Cockran, 69, of Odessa, went on a Caribbean cruise a few years ago. She had dialysis right on the boat.

"[The hospital will] fix all your blood work and sent it off for you. I arranged it a couple of months before," she said during a recent dialysis session at KGH.

Margaret Polk, head nurse of the renal dialysis unit, said she once arranged for a patient to spend a month in Florida.

"They don't often get the opportunity for spontaneous travelling," Ms. Polk said.

There are alternatives to hemo dialysis for people wanting more independence. If a donor can be found and the organ is not rejected there is kidney transplant, or there is peritoneal dialysis.

In peritoneal dialysis a solution is run through a catheter into the peritoneal cavity, and is drained four times a day. With a special machine the dialysis can be done at home while sleeping.

The hospital is providing more and more of its patients needing dialysis with peritoneal dialysis.

While it allows for more independence, it does not allow for the fellowship and camaraderie that patients on hemo dialysis enjoy.

Mrs. Cockran and Brian Gaffney, a 19-year-old farmer from the Napanee area, have been dialysis neighbors for a few years.

Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning, they are hooked up to their machines around 7:30 a.m. and relax while their blood circulates through the machine about nine times.

Time is spent sleeping, talking and watching the TVs the Kidney Foundation has provided.

Mr. Gaffney has been on dialysis since he was 17. It has limited his choices. He works on the family farm, but admits he probably would have attended college if he had not become sick.But he's not bitter about dialysis, he said. "I've got to do it. I haven't got much choice."

Mrs. Cockran is thankful for dialysis. She wouldn't be alive without it.At first becoming dependent on this machine depressed her. "Then you think, where would I be without dialysis?"

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A warm welcome to Tamworth and Marlbank

Archdeacon Rev. Canon John Neal, Preacher Rev. Devona Wiederick, Reverend Selwyn "Sel" Ross Caradus, and the Right Reverend Peter Mason, Bishop of Ontario.

Last Wednesday, September 28, there was in Tamworth the celebration of a new ministry and installation of the Reverend Selwyn Ross Caradus as Rector of the Parish of Tamworth and Marlbank.

Christ Church in Tamworth was at full capacity as the beautiful hymns and prayers resonated throughout this lovely small church.

The celebration was conducted by The Right Reverend Peter Mason, Bishop of Ontario.

Also taking part in the ceremony were the Archdeacon, Rev. Cannon John Neal, Rural Dean Rev. Edward Dallow, Preacher Rev. Devona Wiederick of the Parish of Elizabethtown, Organist Rev. John Uttley from St. Thomas in Belleville, and the Gallery Choir of Maybee's Men — former choir members from St. George's in Kingston.

Presenters to Rev. Caradus included Gladys Hinchey with the Stole, George York with the Canons, Liz Sagriff with the Bible, Keys from Wardens John Novak and Jim Brunet (Tamworth) and Marie Meeks and Kendall Young (Marlbank).

Stephen Hannah presented the Water, Cora Reid the Prayer Books, Gary Bradshaw the Oil and Arlene Bradshaw, the Bread and Wine.

Don Reill looked after the duties of Master of Ceremonies, Glenda Novak the Chalice and Laura Brunet the Crucifer and Server.

In her sermon, the Rev. Devona Wiederick issued a challenge to the parishioners, a challenge to be faithful and to have hope.

She urged the new Rector of Tamworth and Marlbank and the community of believers to "listen to and be encouraged by the promises of God, be moved by the Spirit of God, and act in unity to do the work of God."

Following the installation ceremonies, there was a reception with light refreshments at the Tamworth Library.

The Rev. Selwyn Caradus, or "Sel", as he prefers to be called, met with area people as well as the many clergy who attended the ceremony.

Suspect arrested in LCBO heist

Bungling burglars alert neighbours

"They were very noisy robbers. It took them a while to break the window." — Gwynne Storring

By Jim Sarazin
Beaver Staff Reporter

Almost like watching a late movie, Tamworth residents Gwynne and Robert Storring witnessed a true life robbery at 2 a.m. Monday.

As Gwynne peered out cautiously from an upstairs window, her husband Robert looked on from a neighbour's yard. They watched baseball-capped robbers breaking into the Tamworth LCBO outlet.

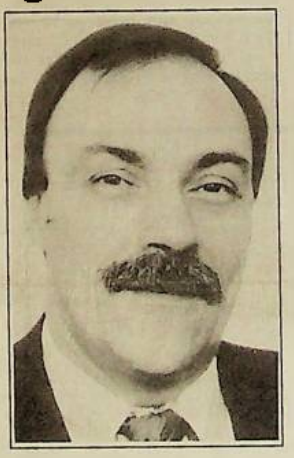
And like most movies, their experience featured a happy ending as they were elated to learn one of the robbers was caught a short time later.

Charged for break, enter and theft and possession of stolen property by Napanee Ontario Provincial Police is Joseph Lake, 20, of Brockville.

The Storrings reported three other youths were involved in the robbery but police aren't confirming any more arrests as yet.

About two hours after the robbery, police spotted the stolen car, a maroon coloured 4-door Dodge sedan along County Road 4, north of the 401, and arrested Lake while the others involved fled the area. The liquor stolen was recovered from the trunk of the car.

Until police had located the car used in the holdup, the Storrings had been enthralled in a two-hour drama.



Robert Storring.

A crash of broken glass is what awoke them from their bed at about 2 o'clock Monday morning.

"The first thing I did was phone the police," said Gwynne. She was crouched on her knees peering out just over the window sill as the robbery unfolded in what she says was about a city block up the street.

All the while, she was in constant conversation with the police dispatcher, relating live reports of an actual robbery in progress.

"They were very noisy robbers," stated Gwynne, in an interview later with *the Beaver*, as she described the event. "It took them a while to break the window.

"One guy was in the car, one in the liquor store and two were standing outside the glass," she reported, as the robbers chain-loaded the boxes of liquor into the trunk.

Robert, in turn, was warned by the police dispatcher to keep his distance, since the robbers might have been armed.

As police raced to the area, Gwynne says the robbers were becoming impatient.

"The guy behind the wheel hopped out yelling, 'Come on! Come on!'" stated Gwynne.

"They couldn't close the trunk lid," she reported, of their heavily loaded car.

Then when they all jumped into the car, the back end of the car was dragging along the sidewalk, reported Gwynne.

Once the loaded-down car fled from Mill Street, Robert gave a good description to police of the car and those involved as he and Gwynne walked down to scrutinize the robbery scene.

"There was blood on the cash register, as one of the robbers obviously cut himself," reported Gwynne.

Police said damage to the computerized cash was estimated at about $15,000 and reported about $2,000 in glass and other damages.

Less than two hours later, as the Storrings were still hyped up from the ordeal, Gwynne said they were informed by police the robbers ditched the car.

"We heard the dispatch," she said.

"'I've got them, I've got them...four guys are bailing out,' is how Gwynne described the excited dispatch.

Emotional environmentalists could threaten agriculture as a way of life

Ten years ago, no one would have thought that animal rights groups would be a threat to agriculture as we know it, but today, these groups are solicitating — and getting — funds from many sources.

One Foot In The Furrow
Bob Trotter

I have heard some farmers say that these groups could be the death of agriculture since many of them want the entire world to become 100 per cent, true-blue, no-flesh-of-any-kind vegetarians.

Farmers must learn solid, effective ways to fight these people because they will stop at nothing to reach their goals.

Another group of sincere do-gooders who could be threatening agriculture as a way of life could be called the "emotional environmentalists."

They have become more vocal in recent years because they seem to be on an environmental binge. A letter to the editor in a daily paper here suggested that farmers are the major cause of air pollution (cow farts), water pollution (chemical runoff) and soil pollution (chemicals in the ground for fertilizers).

As is the case so many times, there is just a hint of truth in the assertions.

Agriculture does cause some air pollution but nowhere near the amount caused by factories and automobiles and so on.

Agriculture causes some water pollution, too, but not nearly even approaching the water pollution caused by mankind's many factories and pollution-producing cities.

Wherever you find polluted water, there you will find people — a lot of people, and many factories where the water actually burns and where the water is unfit for animals to drink.

Ground pollution? Elmira's water supply was not contaminated by agriculture. It was caused by a chemical company.

Love Canal?

It was not a town made ghostly by farmers. It was done by a chemical company.

Organic farming sounds great in theory but in practice, it would be impossible today. Nobody that I have ever talked to who were members of the emotional environmentalist groups was a farmer or even knew a thing about farming.

Every farmer in North America could go back to organic farming but, if they did, they would not raise enough food to feed all of North America.

Someone would have to decide who would get the food because literally millions of North Americans would starve to death. They would die because there wouldn't be enough food for them.

Without modern farming methods such as the judicious use of chemicals, weedicides and herbicides, production would fall back to the level it was 100 years ago — less than a third of today's standards and almost every one of us would have to be a farmer.

In addition, half the crop produced would go to waste before it got transported to consumers.

I know of no other sector of the ecomony that is more aware of pollution problems than farmers. More and more of them are becoming more and more aware of using the least amount of chemicals for the best crop.

I hope the legislators of this nation don't overreact to these people who keep howling about agriculture polluting the air, the ground and the water. Every farmer in this land needs a healthy ecosystem to survive. The healthier the better.

North American farmers are going to continue to feed more and more people from less and less farmland.

Unless, of course, organic farmers can keep up.

Are you willing to pay a dollar for one apple? Fifty cents for a potato? Three bucks for a loaf of bread and $10 for a quart of (oops, a litre) of milk? Fifty dollars a pound for filet mignon or $60 for a rack of ribs?

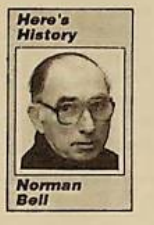
Not bloody likely.

—Here's History—

Fondly remembering threshing

About 3 p.m. on the afternoon of the Addington Fair, Alvin and Norris Drew once again preformed a ritual, which brought shivers of delightful nostalgia to those who watched.

They threshed.


Here's History
Norman Bell

As Alvin opened the throttle on his 27 horsepower, 1938 Case tractor, the side-mounted drive pulley powering the 40'8" drive belt turned it, flapping, into life.

Poised by the endlessly reaching knives of the twine cutters, Norris began pitching sheaves of mixed grain into the feeder of his 1951 George White grain separator. For old timers, this rattling, creaking, thrumming crescendo of sound building up to the familiar deafening roar of a threshing separator in full operation brought back floods of memories.

Perhaps it's impossible to paint a word picture of those earlier times to those born after the early fifties and the emerging domination of the one-man combines over gang-operated threshing rigs. Much has been written about those earlier times but to properly appreciate the sounds, sights and, yes, smells, of those scenes, one had to be there.

Consider the factors which made threshing so vital to any farming community.

It was pay off time. The relative yield per acre of the crops, the quality of the grain harvested from them, the efficiency and timeliness of the threshing operation, all affected the profit or loss of year's work. This was when a farmer found if he had grain enough to meet feeding requirements and maybe some left to sell; when he found out what varieties yielded best or withstood smut, rust and insects. Good crops meant paid up taxes and maybe a little money in the bank.

It was gourmand time. With some exceptions, this was the only time when farmers visited each others homes for dinner. It took about a dozen or more men and boys to handle the job of stook threshing and all enjoyed a change in cooking.

Farm wives, of course, rose to the challenge of their abilities and worked hard to uphold the honour of their family and kitchen when it came their turn to feed the gang.

Generally threshing took place when gardens were at their best so corn on the cob, beefsteak tomatoes, new potatoes and fresh pumpkin pie were almost standard to the menus.

After one had washed away the grime and chaff in a communal wash tub set on the front lawn, and wiped with a very grimy towel, all attention was concentrated on the business of tucking food away. Reputations were made or lost on the quality of meals set out before these discerning judges.

Much has been made of the labour in threshing but in many cases that aspect is over stated. Mention should also be made of the leisurely bumpy drives from field to the barn atop loads of sheaves and the not infrequent little siestas taken among them while awaiting the repair of the separator after its occasional breakdown.

This was the time for visiting. Field pitchers would gather under a red plumb or choke-cherry tree to gossip and sample natures offerings. At the barn, the grain handlers would perch on fresh filled bags and watch as the threshing machine operator pounded away at some mysterious problem half hidden in the separator's innards. Closely watching would be the farmer/customer, impatient to get on with the job before the weather broke and forced another day's gathering with attendant meals and expense.

For small children, the coming of the threshing outfit was one of the year's highlights. Tractors were an uncommon sight and the spectacle of a steel cleated machine clawing and banging its way upgrade hauling a twenty foot separator behind was something to behold.

Some of the old machines carried a coil of rope and tackle blocks slung to their rear for use in manoeuvring around barnyards or climbing steep grades. They added to the air of mystery and the fascinating activities of their operators...super people who ranked with firemen and train engineers as role models.

Norris and Alvin have been staging threshing demonstrations for ten years or more now. These call for much behind the scenes activities; binding grain with an old fashioned binder (their manufacture ceased in the 1940's; stooking it by hand; loading on old fashioned grain racks and bringing it to Centreville; setting up the tractor and separator; disposing of the straw after the demonstration; looking after and housing these machines for the rest of the year. It's a lot of work.

For these brothers who spent many years with their father doing custom threshing, it's a labour of love. Love for a time when men joined together to help one another in a way which still earns the respect of many of us.

Next time you visit Centreville fair, take a good look at their work. You won't see anything like it anywhere else.

Submitted by the Leanox and Addington Historical Society.

How's the weather?

Tornadoes are the most dangerous of the severe weather systems in Ontario, and they strike quickly.

There has been an average of 25 tornadoes a year in southwestern Ontario, and between 1979 and 1990, tornadoes have resulted in the deaths of 22 people in this province, and have caused more than half a billion dollars in property damage.

Tornadoes are associated with sever thunderstorm, the majority of which occur during the warmest time of the day, between 1 p.m. and 8 p.m. Prime time is from early April through to late September.

Environment Canada will issue a weather watch or warning when anticipated weather poses a threat to public safety.

A Tornado Watch is issued when weather conditions are such that a tornado could develop within the area and times specified in the watch.

A Tornado Warning is issued when one or more tornadoes are actually occurring in the area specified.

Planning for you and your family should not be left until a warning is issued.

The following are some steps to take now to ensure you are prepared:

1. Know the name used by Environment Canada for our region when weather information is reported on the radio or television. The Napance area is included in the forecasting for the "Kingston and Brockville" area.

2. Prepare an emergency pack. This should include an emergency food and water supply, extra clothing, blankets, a flashlight, toiletries, medication, a first-aid kit, infant care items and identification for each family member. A battery-powered radio and spare batteries should also be included, as this may be your only link to the outside world.

3. Reduce the hazards. Trim dead or rotting branches and cut down dead trees to reduce the danger from falling limbs.

4. Establish a family rendezvous. When a tornado strikes, you may not be in the same place as the rest of your family. Arrange a family meeting place or system of communication now to ensure no one is lost or in need of help after a tornado strikes.

5. Keep your vehicle gas tank at least half full at all times. Gas stations may not be able to operate after a tornado.

When a tornado threatens, you should:

1. Listen to the Kingston radio or television stations for warnings and instructions. Keep your battery-powered radio handy as electrical power may fail.

2. Do not travel. YOu do not want to be caught without shelter.

3. Stay away from windows, doors, and outside walls.

4. Go down to the basement or seek shelter under a stairway or sturdy table, or in a closet.

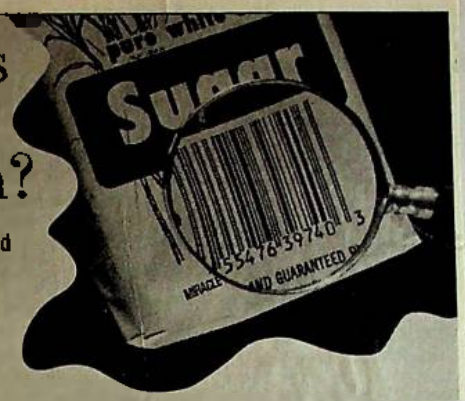
5. Try to reach the centre of the building, or the side away from the storm.

6. Avoid buildings with large areas of unsupported roof, such as arenas, barns or supermarkets. If caught in such a building, seek out the lowest floor, an inside hallway or small interior room. Or get under something sturdy.

7. If caught outside and are unable to avoid the tornado, find a ditch, ravine or other depression, and lie flat. Do not remain in your car. Many people have been killed trying to ride out a tornado in their car.

8. If you cannot find shelter, hang on the the base of a small tree or shrub.

What does that bar code mean?



Widely used on packaged foods and consumer items, the Universal Product Code is a 12-digit number identifying the product and the manufacturer.

At the supermarket

1. When you buy groceries, the cashier scans the bar code on each product with an infra-red gun or moves each product over a window where an invisible infra-red laser beam scans the bar code.
2. The number goes into the computer which instantly shows the price of the product on the checkout display and adds up your bill.
3. The computer keeps a record of all products sold and calculates stock levels. It can also be used to tell the retailer when to reorder items or work out which products are hot sellers and which are not moving at all.

How the code works

The 12-digit code is represented in the bars and spaces that make up the complete scanner-readable symbol:

Number System Character: The first position in the code serves to "key" the other numbers as to meaning, as well as category: 0,6,7: Fixed weight items, e.g. sugar, cereal. 2: Random weight items, e.g. meat. 4: Retailer use. 5: Coupons.

Manufacturer Identification Number: The next five digits identify the manufacturer of the product.

Item Code: The manufacturer uses the next five digits to assign a unique number to each item it produces.

Check Character: The last number is used to verify the accuracy of scanning.

Canada and the United States use the Universal Product Code system. Other countries use a slightly different system called the European Article Number which has one extra number identifying the country.

SOURCE: Product Code Council of Canada

Ecoline

by Catherine Farley

Caring for Our Air

Reducing city smog

The single-passenger car is one of the largest contributors to urban smog.

Here's how cities around the world are combating the problem:

- **Athens, Greece:** Banned private cars.
- **Amsterdam, Netherlands:** Widened sidewalks, new bicycle lanes, less parking.
- **Oslo, Norway:** $2 a car trip downtown.
- **Copenhagen, Denmark:** No parking on city streets.
- **Geneva, Switzerland:** No private car parking allowed at workplaces.
- **Seattle, Washington:** Free public transport downtown 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
- **Mexico City:** One-fifth of vehicles banned from city roads each weekday.

Source: Pollution Probe

Alzheimer's Disease

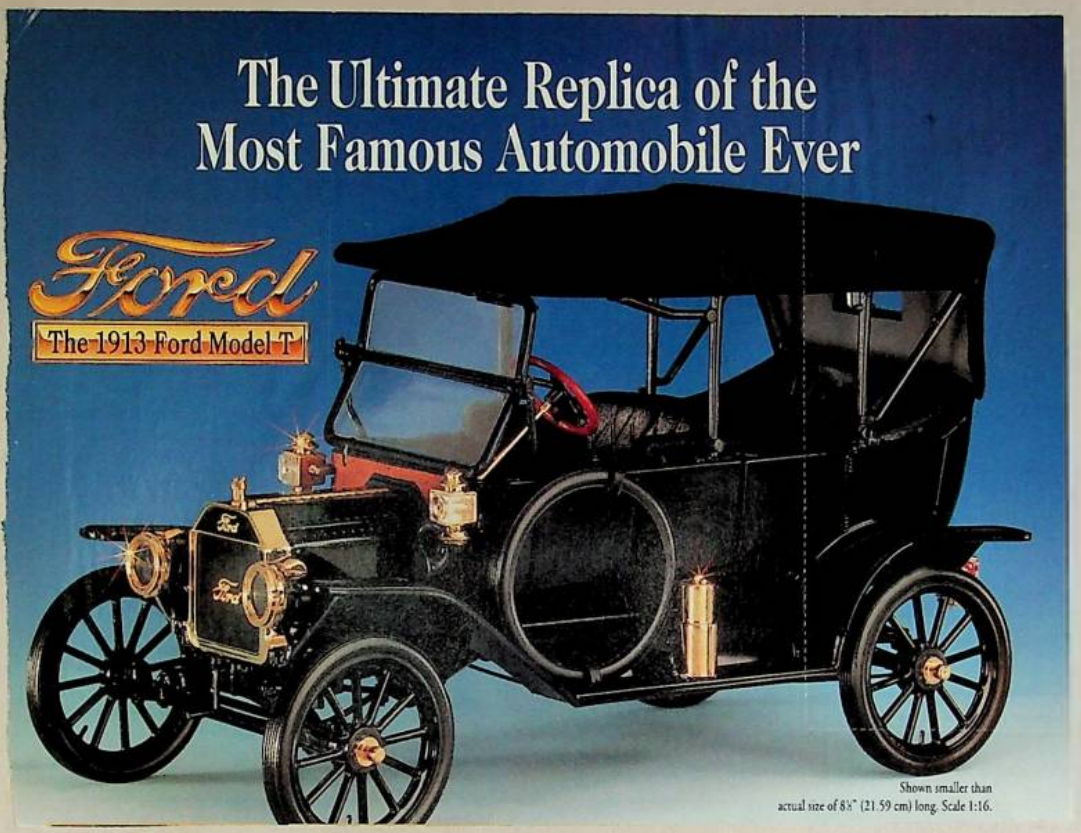
- **WHAT:** A progressive neurological disease where the brain cells die off, leading to increasing loss of memory, mental functions and communications ability.
- **WHO IS AFFECTED:** Mostly older people:
- ages 80-84 – 12 per cent
- ages 85-89 – 22 per cent
- ages 90 up – 40-45 per cent

In 1995, 250,000 Canadians were affected
In 2030, 750,000 will be affected.

- **HOW MANY:** Estimated moderate to severe cases in Frontenac and Lennox and Addington counties:

	Frontenac	Lennox & Addington
1995	1,250	375
2000	1,500	425
2011	2,250	565
2021	2,550	725

- **INFORMATION:** The Alzheimer's Society of Kingston, 544-3078


The Ultimate Replica of the
Most Famous Automobile Ever
Ford
The 1913 Ford Model T
Shown smaller than
actual size of 8½" (21.59 cm) long. Scale 1:16.

"There was a little man
He had a wooden leg
He had no money
Nor money would he beg,
So he took two spools
And an old tin can
And he made a Ford
And the old thing ran."

When Mary Kelly recited this poem in answer to our roll call at one of our meetings last year Kay Allen said we should put it in our book. Since neither Kay nor Mary are with us anymore we shall remember them.

MOTORIZED FIRST: This is thought to be the first motorized funeral procession in Canada, on Dec. 13, 1913 from the A. W. Miles Funeral Home, according to the files of Bruce T. Humphrey, Humphrey Funeral Home.

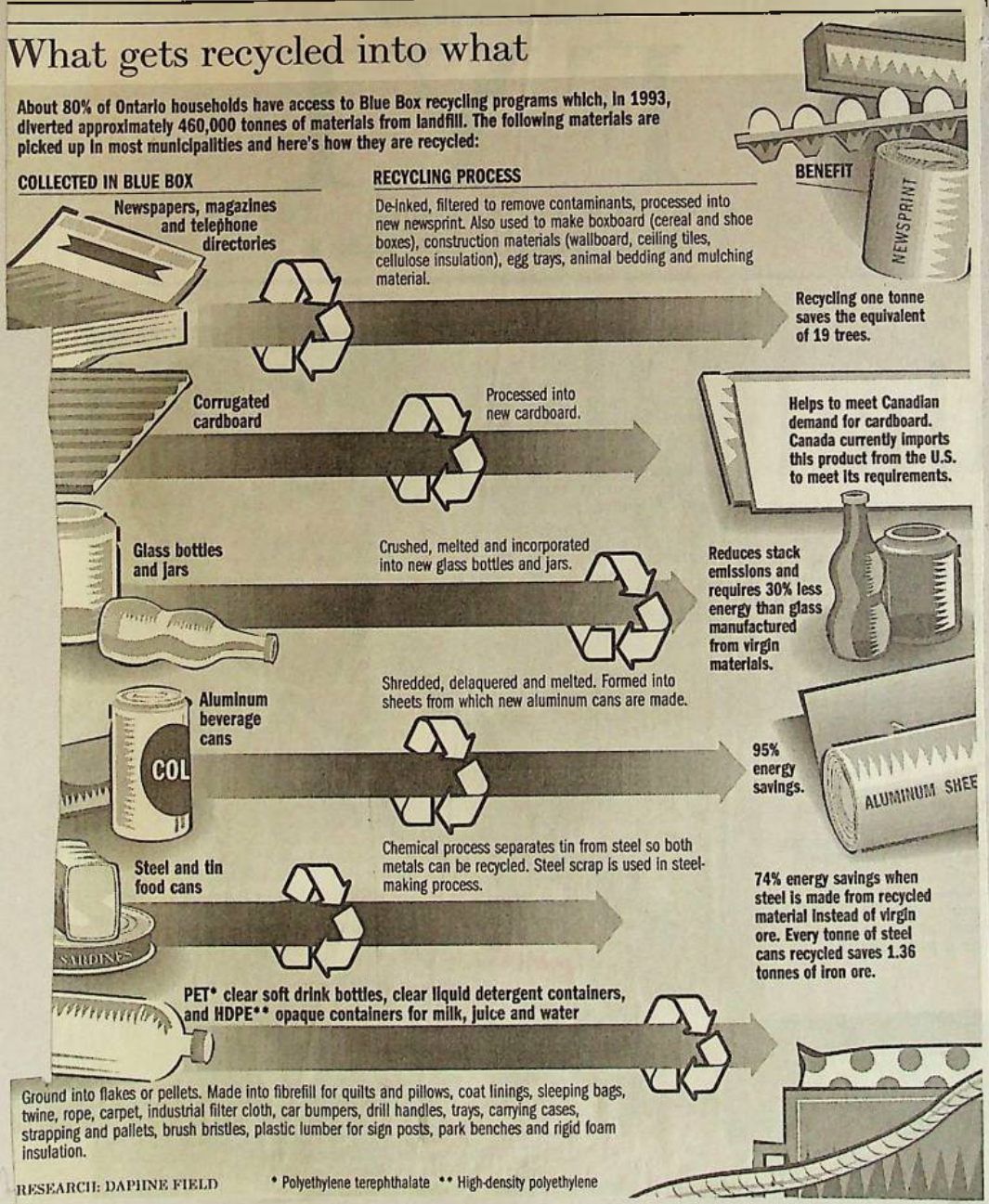
WHAT'S ACCEPTABLE

Not all products are acceptable in your blue box program, so if the wrong items are included, it could spoil the whole load of materials.

The sorting at the Commissioners St. recycling plant is done by hand. Someone monitors the items as they move up the ramp and picks out those that are not recyclable. This slows down the process and makes recycling much more expensive. If a non-recyclable item actually gets through, then there is the worry of contamination and the load could be rejected by the company that is buying it. As an example, if a company that's recycling glass finds any type of ceramics in the load, it's considered contaminated and the entire load will be rejected.

What gets recycled into what

About 80% of Ontario households have access to Blue Box recycling programs which, in 1993, diverted approximately 460,000 tonnes of materials from landfill. The following materials are picked up in most municipalities and here's how they are recycled:


COLLECTED IN BLUE BOX
RECYCLING PROCESS
BENEFIT
Newspapers, magazines and telephone directories
De-inked, filtered to remove contaminants, processed into new newsprint. Also used to make boxboard (cereal and shoe boxes), construction materials (wallboard, ceiling tiles, cellulose insulation), egg trays, animal bedding and mulching material.
NEWSPRINT
Recycling one tonne saves the equivalent of 19 trees.
Corrugated cardboard
Processed into new cardboard.
Helps to meet Canadian demand for cardboard. Canada currently imports this product from the U.S. to meet its requirements.
Glass bottles and jars
Crushed, melted and incorporated into new glass bottles and jars.
Reduces stack emissions and requires 30% less energy than glass manufactured from virgin materials.
Aluminum beverage cans
Shredded, delaquered and melted. Formed into sheets from which new aluminum cans are made.
95% energy savings.
Steel and tin food cans
Chemical process separates tin from steel so both metals can be recycled. Steel scrap is used in steel-making process.
74% energy savings when steel is made from recycled material instead of virgin ore. Every tonne of steel cans recycled saves 1.36 tonnes of iron ore.
PET* clear soft drink bottles, clear liquid detergent containers, and HDPE** opaque containers for milk, juice and water
Ground into flakes or pellets. Made into fibrefill for quilts and pillows, coat linings, sleeping bags, twine, rope, carpet, industrial filter cloth, car bumpers, drill handles, trays, carrying cases, strapping and pallets, brush bristles, plastic lumber for sign posts, park benches and rigid foam insulation.

RESEARCH: DAPHNE FIELD

* Polyethylene terephthalate ** High-density polyethylene

What goes in the box...

Glass bottles and jars: No lids or caps. Rinse well.

Metal cans: Those used for food and beverages only. No loose lids. Rinse well.

Plastic bottles and jugs: Includes anti-freeze jugs, but not motor oil containers. No lids or caps. Rinse well.

Corrugated cardboard (with the rippled layer): Clean cardboard only. Cut into pieces and tie into bundles no larger than two feet by two feet wide and one foot thick.

Aluminum foil: Includes rigid aluminum containers such as pie plates, take-out food containers, frozen dinner trays and roasting and baking pans, but no aluminum foil wrap. Clean trays to remove any food or greasy residue. Place containers loose in your blue box. (BEGINS OCT. 1)

Newspapers and magazines: Includes newspaper inserts, advertising flyers printed on newsprint, old telephone books and catalogues. Bundle with string or put in a plastic grocery and place beside corrugated cardboard.

...and what doesn't

Other glass: No dishes, window glass, mirrors, drinking glasses, porcelain figurines, clay flower pots, ceramics, light bulbs, glass pots and pans, crystal.

Other metal: No coat hangers, paint cans, aerosol cans, aluminum foil wrap, sheet metal, plumbing pipes, car batteries, metal pots and pans.

Other plastics: No margarine or yogurt tubs, ice cream or cottage cheese containers, plastic wrap or bags, foam products, plastic toys or motor oil containers.

Other cardboard: No waxed or coated boxes, egg cartons, pizza boxes, milk or juice cartons, cereal, cracker, shoe or tissue boxes, soap or detergent boxes.

Other paper: No books, writing paper or envelopes, computer paper or advertising flyers printed on fine white paper.

COMMUNITY BULLETIN

OCTOBER 1994

A MESSAGE FROM MINOR BALL: A very successful minor ball season has ended in Tamworth. 150 kids were registered this year. We are proud of them all. Our season would not have been the success it was without the efforts of a dedicated group of volunteers.

To the following coaches and their assistants we owe our thanks and appreciation.

To all of those teams winning "A" or "B" championships at the tournaments - CONGRATULATIONS! Be proud of your accomplishments.

1994 Coaches & Assistant Coaches for
Sheffield Minor Ball

T-Ball Coaches: Angela Bodzasy & Kim McCutcheon
Grasshopper: Team 1 Coach Bill Pennell, Assistant Coach Gerry Archer
Team 2 Coaches Joel & Bev Lyman
Team 3 Coach Janie Ryan, Assistant Coach Paul Massingham
Mite: Team 1 Coach Sherry Beattie, Assistant Coach Donna Moss
Team 2 Coach Wendy McDonald - "A" Champions
Team 3 Coach Angela Archer, Assistant Coach Vicki Hudson
Squirt: Coach Jim Beattie, Assistant Coach Don Green - "B" Champions
Peewee: Coach Tom McCumber, Assistant Coach David York - "A" Champions
Bantam-Midget: Coach Eldon Thompson - "A" Champions

Sheffield Camden Pee-Wee players at the Ontario "D" Championship are (front row, left to right) Jonathan Whan, Blair McDonald, Brett Huffman, Geoff Halladay, Colin Tryon and Mike Thompson. Back row, left to right, are James Barrett, Greg McDonald, Ryan Tyner, Chris McLaughlin, Al Birrell, Jason Smith, Dan Barrett, Brad Smith and Roger Tryon.

They gave it their all

Sheffield, Camden Pee-Wee ball players went all the way to the Ontario "D" Championship in Chepstow, Ontario.

It was a great weekend of ball and the home town players were in it right up to the end.

Team Manager James Barret, along with coaches Greg McDonald and Roger Tryon, had nothing but praise for the fine effort and good sportsmanship of our players.

Sheffield, Camden took a 12 to 1 drubbing from the bats of host team Chepstow in the first game. Not an encouraging start for the boys who travelled over 400 km west, almost to the shore of Lake Huron seeking victory.

After losing game one, they knew they would need six straight victories to take the title.

Like true champions they looked ahead to victory not to the past.

Coming out in game two they trounced Linwood 7-2. The winning pitcher was Blair McDonald with 12 strike outs and only three hits allowed. Ryan Tyner was the top hitter for our team with a triple and a double.

Game three, and remember these were all top Ontario teams they were playing, was a smashing vindication of their right to be there.

Jason Smith pitched our boys to a 20 to 6 victory over Carp. In the batting department it was Dan Barrett hitting 4 for 4, Jason Smith helping his own pitching by batting 4 for 5 and Al Birrell hitting 3 for 4.

PASSING FASHIONS / *The obituaries are filled with names rarely heard these days, names almost never called out on a school playground. Why is it that we may occasionally meet a Laura, but almost never a Grace?*

Where have all the Gertrudes gone?

BY DOROTHEA HELMS

SOMETHING hit me the other day while I was browsing through the death notices. They read like a who's who of the little town in which I grew up more than 40 years ago.

At first I was struck by two different Marys, both grandmothers, who would be sadly missed by all who knew them. I believe it; with an Italian ancestry, I've known plenty of Marys during my life, all of them special . . . so special, in fact, that 12 years ago I named my daughter Mary despite the flurry of Ashleys and Jessicas arriving on the scene at the time. But as I thought of my vibrant pre-teen running around the school yard, there in the newspaper were the two Marys who had died. I read on about two Helens, two Maries, two Muriels, two Gertrudes and two Hazels, all grandmothers over 70 years of age.

Female names have always fascinated me. From the time I named my daughter, I have received many compliments on my choice — "Mary's such a pretty, old-fashioned name" or "You just don't hear Mary any more." In her elementary school, my Mary is the only girl who boasts that moniker. And somehow, although I do not know every one of the 425 children enrolled there, I feel pretty safe in assuming that she's not calling out, "Hey, Grace" or "Come on, Violet" as she runs to chase a ball across the field during recess. Yet Grace and Violet died last week, each fondly remembered by several grandchildren. People rarely name girls after flowers any more either; names like Rose, Pansy, Iris and Daisy are scarce on school attendance sheets today.

Oh, there were a few grandmothers on that page with names not completely ignored nowadays: Kathleen, Pauline, Anna, Catherine, Laura, Jean. But some of the nostalgic names have been abandoned — especially Josephine. In the little town I spoke of, I knew several Josephines; they're all dead now. And how about the others in the obituaries that day? June and Julia and Alma and Eva and Mayme? All dead and all devoted grandmothers; and all names of adults I knew in my childhood — people who are now gone or fighting the physical ravages of old age.

SANDRA BERKOWITZ

What is it with the ebb and flow of names in North America? Why are Ethel and Della and Phoebe and Irene and Marguerite out of fashion? Is it because we simply can't imagine a blonde bombshell on *Melrose Place* being called Hilda? Could a businesswoman walk into an executive meeting today, thrust out her hand and say, "Good morning, I'm Mabel" and be taken seriously? And could anyone named Florence actually bungee-jump?

Maybe the names are dying out with the people — generations of names, like those of my older sisters and their friends. A few years before I was born, parents, labelled their daughters differently, but still en masse: Sandra, Virginia, Marjorie, Louise, Margaret, Patricia, Bernadette, Eileen. Between me and my children exists a generation of Robins and Wendys and Nancys.

There was a Dorothy in one of those obituary columns. Granted, she was older (I was named after my grandmother), but she was there nevertheless. And I thought about the Deaths section of the newspaper in another 40 years. Would the female names then be those of the dear friends with whom I grew up and shared the playground? Would those future grandmothers be named Denise, Deborah, Cynthia, Elaine, Cheryl, Kathy, Sharon, Beverly? My Mary doesn't have any peers with those first names either.

The question is whether those once-cherished names will ever come full circle again. Rebecca did. So, too, with Amanda. But for now, we seem to be saying goodbye to the Sadies, Madelines, Marians, Mays and Kays of the world. I didn't know one person mentioned in the death notices that day, but I felt moved as I read about them. Perhaps someday, my Mary will call up the obituary section of the newspaper on her computer screen to find a list of names reminiscent of her own acquaintances, and find it sad.

Dorothea Helms is a writer/editor in Sunderland, Ont., who once longed to be called something else but has grown to love her old-fashioned name.

It's an hour of family fun and exercise every Sunday at the Camden/Sheffield Community Centre. Public skating, at the arena, is an opportunity to meet neighbours and friends. Those who don't join in the action, enjoy watching from behind the glassed in area upstairs or down. ***photos/ Chris Jones***

The postcard celebrates a centennial

Renewed interest in old cards

Today's Seniors, June 1994

COLLECTIBLES

JEANNE KER-HORNELL

Visiting the Toronto Postcard Club Show the other day, sparked in me an interest in postcards, bringing back memories looking at the old pictures.

Since 1969, 100 years after the first postcard was made in Austria, there has been a renewed interest in collecting old cards. They are relatively inexpensive, apart from unusual or rare ones, and beautifully depict our history pictorially. The average old postcard sells from $2-$15 today.

Tonie and Valmai Holt devised the following Seven Postcard Period concept when they compiled the Stanley Gibbons Postcard Catalogue published since 1980. It is recognized today as an excellent system for postcard collectors all over the world to divide the 100 years-or more lifetime of postcards.

Period I: 1871-1899: This is sometimes called the era of pioneer cards of Canada. In 1871, the Canadian government issued its own postal stationery card with an imprinted stamp. The space for the address and stamp were on one side, leaving the other side for messages. It was not a picture postcard, and it cost half the price of a letter's stamp.

Once people had accepted the idea of an open message anyone could read, postcards became a permanent means of communication.

Astute business people realized the postcard would make great cheap advertising, but the government insisted private postcards would cost the full letter rate. It was not until 1895 that new laws were passed allowing companies to insert advertising in written or pictorial form on postcards.

Immediately, beautiful multi-coloured pictorial ads were created using all kinds of designs including buildings, humour, flowers, ships, Indians, Eskimos, animals, babies, women, in fact everything and anything to appeal to the eye of the public to advertise the goods.

Period II 1900-1914: is called "The Golden Age" of picture postcards. Millions of cards were produced and used with such glorious colours of good quality and detailed embossing, that it fast became the fashion to collect them. They appealed to all classes and groups. Postcard albums cost 10 cents each and postcards one cent at that time, and today, some of the rarer ones can cost $50.

The development and progress of aviation was recorded pictorially on postcards, as well as women's suffrage, political cartoons, film stars, Indian affairs, Royalty, pioneers, transportation, military uniforms, and special events. These cards are very collectible today.

Local photographers would have photocards of disasters for sale within three days of the event. Train wrecks, fires or any other disaster would be a guaranteed seller.

Scenes of main streets in villages and towns, mountains, beaches, lakes, forests are called topographicals, and are sought after especially if there are people or transport vehicles depicting the fashions of that time. Sometimes, buildings are no longer there, so these postcards are of historical interest.

Everyone sent home postcards from holidays, but by 1912, the fashion of collecting postcards was waning. Many albums were thrown out, and the quality of p[illegible] cards became poorer and less appealing. War was being talked about.

Period III 1914-1918: World War I brought postcards back into popularity again. Flags, regiments, the maple leaf and beaver were selling.

The military sent home beautifully embroidered flowers and loving messages on transparent silk-insert cards from France and elsewhere, many of them embroidered by French nuns.

My grandma still had an album in the 1930s of these war postcards from France, sent to her by her sons in World War I. I wish I had them today.

Period IV 1918-1939: Postcard collecting was no longer popular. Linen was used for cards, and by 1930 long sepia series of pictorial cards were produced by the Canadian post office.

Period V 1939-1945: Patriotic cards, including aircraft and "military sets" were made with prominent propaganda cards. "Join the Army" for example. Some interest was shown in collecting them.

Period VI 1945-1969: Again a quiet time for postcard collecting, apart from a few farseeing collectors.

Tourist cards continued to sell, and in 1967 there were some patriotic cards to commemorate Canada's Centennial. Black and white photoviews were produced.

Period VII 1969 – Present: The postcard was now a genuine antique, 100 years old (1869-1969). Postcard exhibitions were held in Britain and the United States. Postcard collectors clubs were formed in Europe and North America.

The modern cards were mostly ignored, for the "golden age" cards were the most in demand as they had been in the early 1900s, because of the high quality and appeal. Cards that had been selling for 10 cents now were selling for $2, even $5.

Today those same cards are selling for $5,10, even $15 and more, in good condition.

Over the years, all kinds of novelty cards were made, including paper doll cutouts, miniature gramophone records, outrageous themes, paste jewelry insets, 3-D effect cards, pull out cards, fan cards, hold-to-light cards. Some were made of human hair, fur and feathers, wood, leather, celluloid and so on. Some of these cards are costly indeed.

W. Gutzman has written the Canadian Picture Postcard Catalogue, and the Canadian Patriotic Postcard Handbook 1904-1914.

I have these books including price lists, so I can evaluate any postcards you may have. Limit cards to 10 please, per letter.

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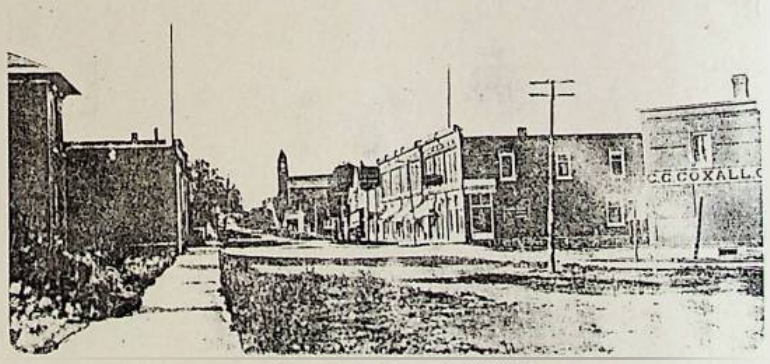
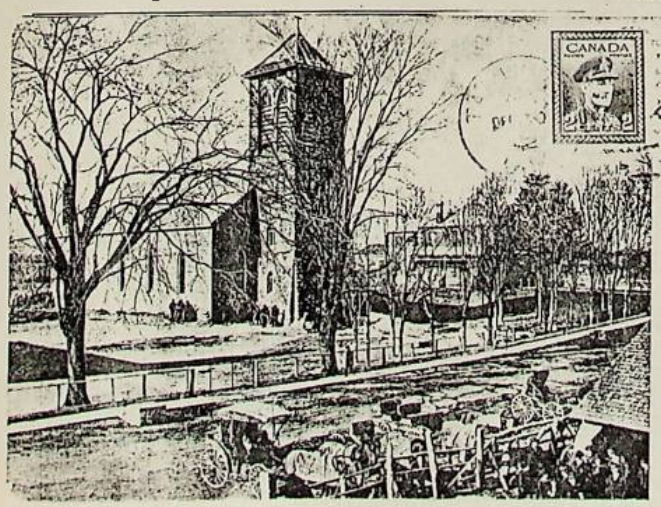
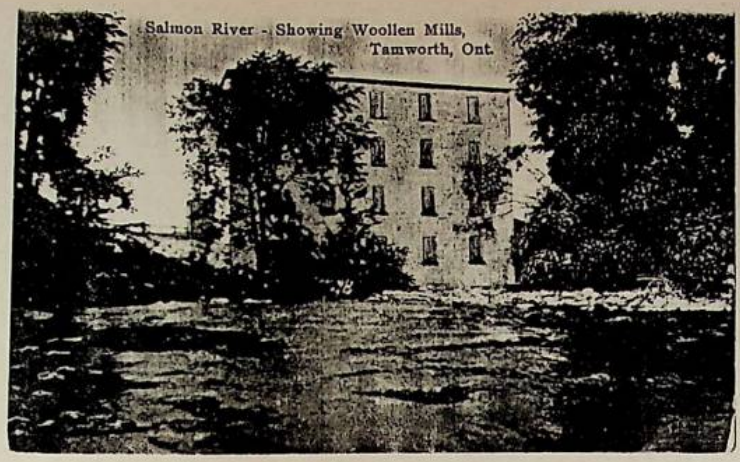
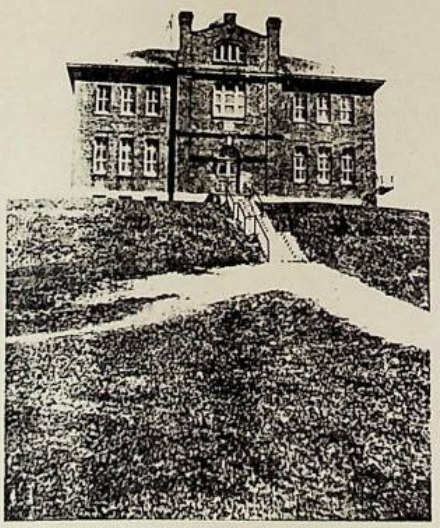




R. C. Church, Erinsville, Ont.

Former United Church now Pentecostal





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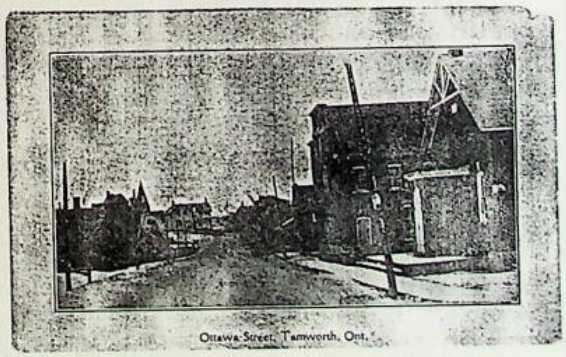
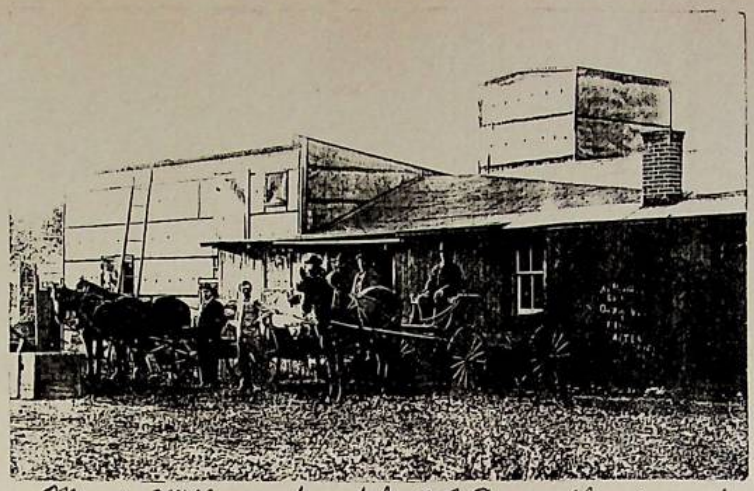
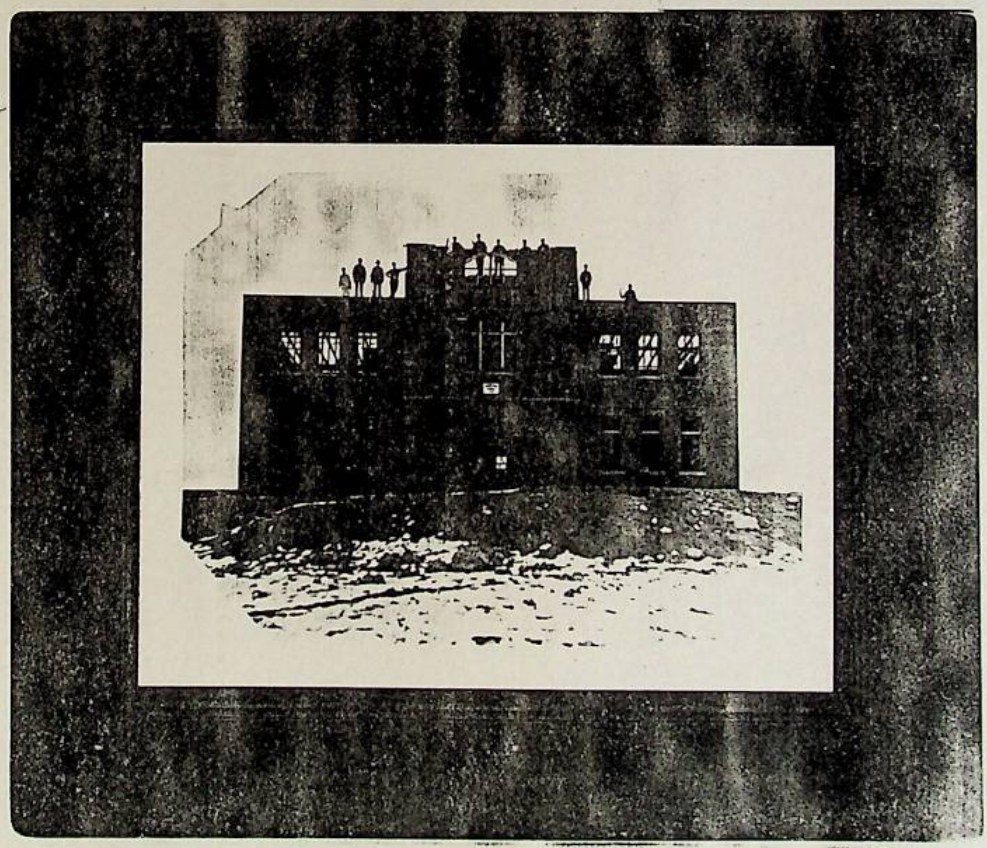
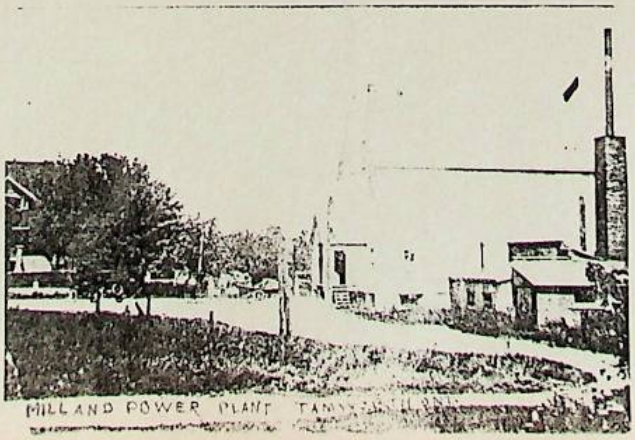




Maco's Mill purchased by A.B. Carscallen in early 1900's.

Rebuilding the mill after a fire in 1923. It was purchased by Earl Bradshaw in 1939.





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A. B. CARSCALLEN Limited

GENERAL MERCHANTS

Tamworth, Ont., Nov. 30 1925

M Mrs Wm Young

SOLD BY S GOT BY Self

1	To		
2	3 lb Sugar		.25
3	1 Soap		.05
4	½ Bread		.10
5	1 Mincemeat		.13
6	½ R. Oats		.25
7	Cake		.25
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5 cts. per cwt. off on Flour and Sugar if paid in 30 days

KILGOUR BROS. LIMITED, TORONTO

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A. B. CARSCALLEN Limited

GENERAL MERCHANTS

Tamworth, Ont., June 26 1926

M Mrs Wm. Young

SOLD BY S. GOT BY Self

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2	2 C. Flakes ✓		.23
3	1 Molasses		.35
4	5 R. Oats ✓		.25
5	1 Matches ✓		.10
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25 cts. per cwt. off on Flour and Sugar if paid in 30 days

KILGOUR BROS. LIMITED, TORONTO

7% Interest Charged on Overdue Accounts

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A. B. CARSCALLEN Limited

GENERAL MERCHANTS

Tamworth, Ont., Dec 1 1926

M Mrs Wm. Young

SOLD BY E. GOT BY Wife

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25 cts. per cwt. off on Flour and Sugar if Paid in 30 Days

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Date April 24 1926

M Mrs Willie Young

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A year of changes, growth and success

It has been a "growing" year for Marg Weese and her family since they took over the Devon Tea Room and Five Corners Craft Centre in Tamworth.

They marked the first anniversary (September1) of being the owners of the business last weekend with a birthday/farewell party for Jeremy Weese who is now off to university in Ottawa.

"It has been an interesting year," Mrs. Weese said, "but we have kept our guest book from the past year, and it is interesting to note the comments from people who are only in the area once a year."

The biggest changes have been at the Devon Tea Room.

The Weese's have totally redecorated with new painting, stencilling, and new wall decorations.

Mrs. Weese has also redone all of the plates and serving dishes herself in stoneware. This is a specialty of hers as she makes ceramic items, and has taught ceramics.

"The Tea Room now reflects more of me, and my family, and our taste, I think," Mrs. Weese said.

Her daughter Kimm will continue to help out after school and on weekends, and her husband Brian is still the chief cook on the weekends, so the business remains very much a family operation.

There have been changes in the Five Corners Craft Centre as well as in the Tea Room, Mrs. Weese noted.

"We still carry a lot of unique gift items, which sometimes require that special buyer, but there are more of the kind of things that a lot of people might be interested in."

The Craft Centre now carries a more complete array of craft supplies, and they also have a whole new line of craft items.

The centre also carries an expanded line of "gourmet" foods, flavoured teas,scented candles, and potpourris.

"All of these crafts are from local consignees, and we are very interested in having as much variety as we can from the local craftspeople."

One area which Mrs. Weese has expanded into, and hopes to continue expanding, is catering.

She has catered office functions, school teas, 50th wedding anniversary parties, and weddings, both at the Tea Room, and "on site".

"I am really enjoying this aspect of the business, and will either have a group here, or I can go to them," she says.

"If there is a group coming during hours, I can make it a private function for them, or I can open after hours, whichever is more convenient."

She is scheduled to cater a wedding next weekend, and the wedding party has requested that everything be out in the back courtyard.

"I hope that all works out for them, but the bees, and the weather, can be unpredictable."

Mrs. Weese said she is not too concerned as the Tea Room can comfortably seat 40 people—and has had a few more than that on occasion.

"We have had excellent support from the local businesses, and the school, which I really appreciate, and I hope those groups, and others will continue to have their functions catered from here."

So, in spite of having to replace three major appliances, and face a few other "growing pains", it has been an exciting year for Mrs. Weese.

"From their comments, our visitors seem to like the changes we have made—so we know we are on the right direction," Mrs. Weese said.

Good things are cooking in Marg Weese's Devon Tea Room & Five Corners Craft Centre, in Tamworth. Mrs. Weese has owned the business for the past year.

"We have had people coming in who are from various parts of Canada, the United States, and Europe," she said, "and all of the comments have been very positive, which is encouraging."

Mrs. Weese encourages everyone to drop in to the Craft Centre or Tea Room, on Main Street in Tamworth.

It is open Monday to Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. On Friday nights, they stay open for dinner until 7:30 p.m. Weekend hours, Saturday and Sunday are from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

If you wish to talk to Mrs. Weese about catering a function, you can call her at 379-2745.

Up, up and away with Vaughn Richmond

Vaughn Richmond, who lives on the south shore of Beaver Lake, enjoys flying his Cessna185 Amphibious Sea Plane

If you happen to be near Beaver Lake some evenings, don't be surprised to see, or hear, a small plane taking off.

In all likelihood, that is Vaughn Richmond taking off for another flight.

Mr. Richmond lives just outside of Tamworth, on the south shore of the lake, and has his cottage, and airplane ramp, across the road from his home.

"I had been keeping the plane in Kingston, but we were looking for somewhere on the water, and when the cottage property across the road from the house came available for sale, it was perfect," Mr. Richmond says.

Mr. Richmond's Cessna 185 Amphibious Sea Plane is equipped with floats and retractable landing gear, giving him the option of landing on either the ground or the water.

During the nice weather, the 4-seater plane is anchored on a ramp by the dock at the cottage.

In the winter, the plane is kept in a hangar in Kingston.

Mr. Richmond bought his plane three years ago, but his interest in flying is "lifelong", he says.

"My father had his pilot's licence, but never had his own plane, so I guess I share his love of planes and flying, but it is just something I have always loved."

Flying is more than a hobby with Mr. Richmond, he says, because of the time commitment involved.

He received his private pilot's licence in July, 1991, and is now finishing up his commercial licence training.

Each of those courses requires a minimum of 40 hours ground school, plus flying time.

To date, Mr. Richmond has received 187 hours of instructional time, and has a total of 380 hours flight time.

"You have to be prepared to put in the time, and fly on a consistent basis," Mr. Richmond says. "Without retaining your skill level, there is room for pilot error."

Mr. Richmond says he does not get up in the air as much as he would like, because of other commitments, but he feels he is very competent, and has the discipline required for flying.

He is a member of the Canadian Sea Plane Pilots' Association, and has also taken three Wilderness Wings Bush Pilot's courses.

As part of the Wilderness Wings program, Mr. Richmond will be flying to Ungava Bay in northern Labrador this summer.

He will be accompanied by two other aircraft, and says he is very excited about this trip.

"Wilderness, or bush flying, is something that I am very interested in pursuing," Mr. Richmond says. "There are so many possibilities of going into remote areas."

Mr. Richmond has also taken another 10 hour instructional course, and has his "night rating", which allows him to fly at night.

Mr. Richmond's wife Lillian, and their three sons, James,14, Matthew,10, and Andrew, 4, share his love of flying, and have accompanied him on flights from time to time.

Much of the time though, Mr. Richmond flies alone.

"I like the solitude, and the peace," he says. "It is difficult to explain the attraction of flying to someone who doesn't share the passion—you either have the bug or you don't."

Mr. Richmond definitely has the "flying bug" and will keep on flying as much as possible.

"It is challenging, but unforgiving, so I am always upgrading my training, and flying capabilities," he says. "It has to be something you are passionate about—and I guess I am."

'The scratch of a steel nib on paper and bitter-tasting ink'

By CHRISTINE OVERALL

WHEN I WAS IN PRIMARY SCHOOL, graduating from using pencils to writing with ink was a big step. In Grade 5, after four years of pencils, we were given long black wooden pens with metal nibs. Each of us was also issued a glass pot of ink, to be inserted in the inkwell in the upper right-hand corner of the desk.

In retrospect, I feel sympathy for the teachers of that time. Think of the potential for trouble, when 30 or so students each had several ounces of an in[illegible] dark liquid ready to hand.

But from my point of view, as a 10-year-old, the ink bottle and pen were a clear sign of maturity – and presented challenges all their own.

The pen nibs were dangerous weapons. Occasionally a child was wounded by one – either by accident or design. We all believed, without question, that if ink got under your skin, it would stay there permanently. There were some kids who tried to give themselves, or each other, primitive tattoos.

Brand new, the nibs were sharp and scratchy, and sometimes, if you pressed too hard while writing, they made holes or scratches in your paper. But as the nib got older and more worn, its two sides gradually separated and made your pen strokes wider and wider.

Managing pen, nib and ink was a subtle art. When dipping the pen into the ink pot, the trick was to get enough ink on the nib to get you through a sentence or so, without getting so much ink as to leave blots on your paper. Whether new or old, at every stage, the nib was likely, if overfilled, to drop big gobs of ink in the middle of your work.

We all knew that ink had a bitter, metallic taste. It left stains on the tongues of those who tested it. But my own particular ink was special. I received an ink bottle only partially emptied the year before. At the bottom was a discarded pen nib, which rusted and transformed the blue-black color to greenish-turquoise. I was proud of the unique color of my writing. Each of us was given a small square of white blotting paper. You had to remember to use it. But if you blotted too quickly, your writing was too faded. If you waited too long to blot, or forgot to blot at all, you were likely to end up smearing the ink with your hand or arm.

Of course, if you were left-handed, you were forced at all times to curl your arm around in such a way that your hand did not smudge the letters as soon as you had formed them. Left-handed or right-handed, if you were unco-ordinated, as I was, you went home at the end of each day with ink all over your hands and arms, and occasionally on your face and clothes.

ACQUIRING PEN AND INK OCCURRED around the same time that we were taught handwriting. For me, the process of learning to write was loaded with difficulties.

My own children have never been comfortable handwriting. Even as adolescents, they confine themselves to printing, which usually has the virtue of being legible. None of their teachers seems troubled by what appears to me to be educational heresy: still printing, beyond the age of 10!

When I was a kid, learning to write properly was not a matter of choice. Hours were spent in the drill of learning to shape each letter properly.

Yet by Grade 8 my penmanship was still considered incorrect and immature. It was just too vertical; it had no slant. And it was almost illegible.

My teacher gave me a mimeographed page covered in lines half-an-inch apart, running from the top right corner to the bottom left. I had to put this paper under every page on which I wrote, and use the lines to guide the slant of my writing.

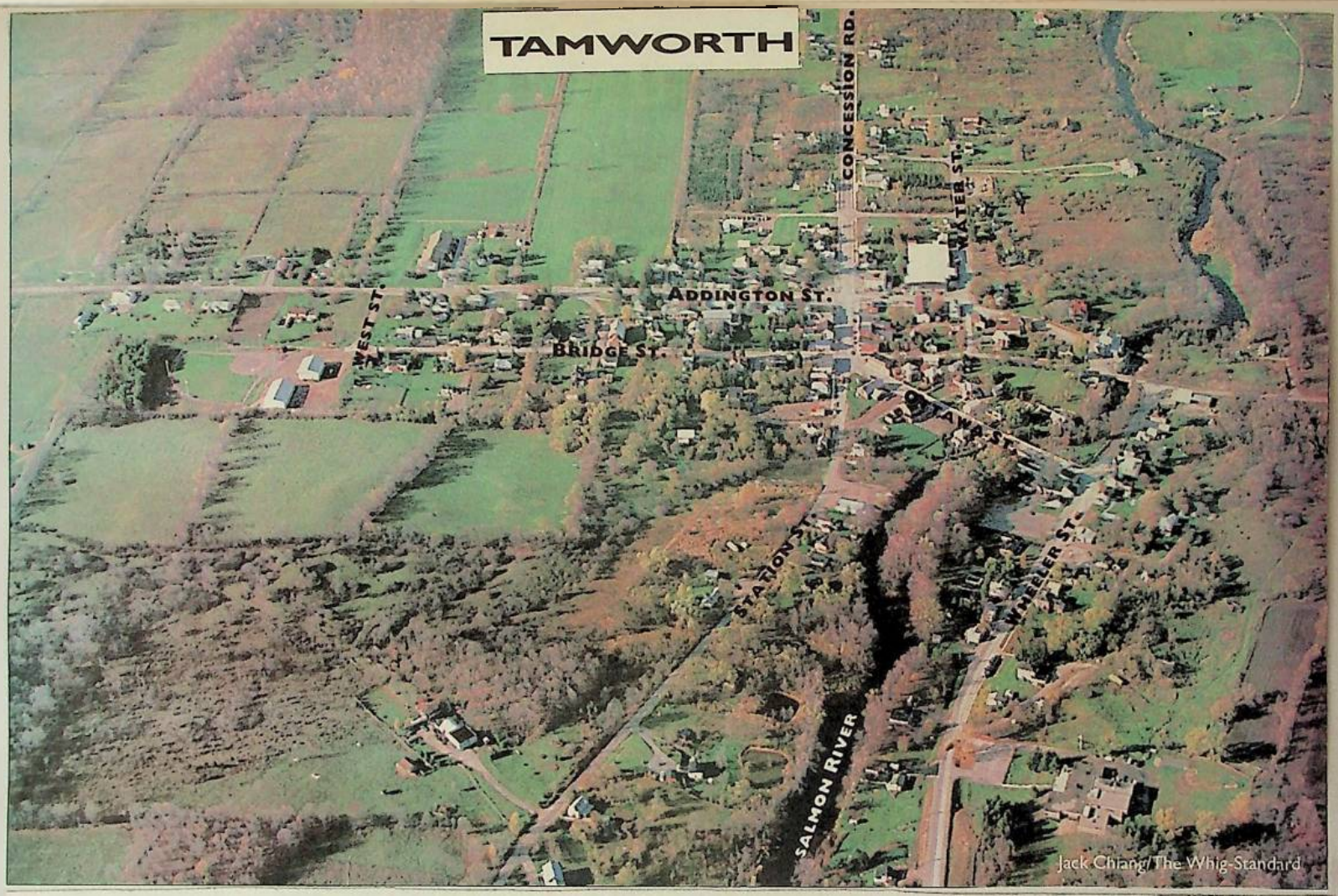
I followed this procedure for an entire school year, and slowly my handwriting acquired a commendable lean.

But as soon as I graduated from Grade 8 I went back, with great relief, to vertical penmanship, and my handwriting reverted to illegibility.

TODAY CHILDREN ARE NO LONGER forced to spend hours learning to form written letters. And since most of them are – or will be – computer literate, they may seldom feel a need for handwriting.

But the disappearance of wooden pens, metal nibs and indelible ink has deprived a whole generation of students of some unique sensory experiences: the scratch of nib on paper, the bitter taste of ink and the laboriously achieved success of writing with a wooden pen.

Christine Overall is a feminist and a professor of philosophy at Queen's University.



By Harry Kilfoyle
Whig-Standard Staff Writer

TAMWORTH HAS A STRONG sense of community while maintaining its commercial vitality.

Reeve Gerald Milligan says the village of 500, located on the Salmon River in Sheffield Township, continues to expand.

A 16-unit private retirement housing complex is a welcome addition on the southern outskirts of the village near the medical clinic.

The clinic, built eight years ago, is staffed by three doctors. Patients come from as far away as Kaladar, Newburgh and Kennebec Township.

Tamworth now has a new, steel-clad, heated arena, built at a cost of $1 million. It replaced a cold wooden structure that served the hockey and curling communities since 1951.

And the village is also constructing a four-bay fire hall at a cost of $200,000. The department has 20 volunteers.

Milligan is especially proud that the village managed to raise $100,000 for the new arena and another $50,000 for the new fire hall.

Tamworth has a bank, a liquor store, a large food store, general store, a hotel, and a grist and feed store.

"It also has good quality water and septic tanks," Milligan says. "And we want to keep it that way."

Volunteers also play a large role in the village's lifestyle.

Milligan noted that volunteers continue to collect recyclables while other communities have turned to privatization.

The village has had its share of economic ups and downs.

Settlement of the village began around 1826, when James Huffman bought 400 acres for about $1 an acre.

By then the practice of awarding free land to United Empire Loyalists had stopped. And settlers bought and cleared lots up to 100 acres in size.

A source of income for early settlers was selling timber off their land to the timber barons – the Rathburns from Deseronto and the Gilmours from Trenton.

Settlers also burned brush and sold the ash for the potash industry.

The waterfalls on the Salmon River at Tamworth were a major attraction for mill owners.

Calvin Wheeler, a Vermont millwright, established the first saw mill in 1830. It made square timbers and staves for barrels.

Wheeler was instrumental in gaining a post office for the growing hamlet. In 1848, the name of the village was changed from Wheeler's Corners to Tamworth.

Wheeler renamed the hamlet after the English home of Sir Robert Peel, a popular British prime minister.

Ninety per cent of early settlers were Irish immigrants looking for vacant and affordable farm land. By 1857, Tamworth had a population of 300.

Cattle drives were common before the railway arrived in 1885. Livestock purchasers in Sheffield Township bought the cattle, marked them and then drove them to Kingston in one herd.

The completion of the Napanee, Tamworth and Quebec railway in 1885 seemed to open opportunities for Tamworth but fortunes within the village began to decline when Rathbun, the timber baron, extended the line from Yarker to Harrowsmith connecting with the Kingston to Pembroke Railway.

Tamworth residents could then travel to Kingston. Local industries suffered because of the new access to a flood of finished goods from industrial centres.

In 1894, fire destroyed much of the downtown area. Hotel owner Samson Shields made the best of the situation by starting a brickyard. Most of the buildings were replaced with his bricks over the next five years.

Tamworth's small industrial base continued to thrive until the introduction of the motor car.

Tourism is Tamworth's major industry today. Cottages are being replaced on nearby lakes with year-round houses.

"A large number of Toronto residents are retiring in the area," Milligan says. "We have a number of small and beautiful lakes in the area," Milligan said.

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Another successful minor ball season has ended in Tamworth. To the following coaches, we extend our thanks and congratulations for a great job.

T-Ball: Christine Heal & Paun Bank
Grasshopper: #1 Tony Szapira
#2 Janie Ryan
#3 Susan Kimmett "A" Runner Up
Mite: #1 Bob & Julie Allore "B" Runner Up
#2 Peter & Ben Dewar "A" Runner Up
Squirt: #1 Sherry Beattie & Donna Moss
#2 Jean Morey "A" Runner Up
PeeWee: #1 Don Green & Jim Beattie
#2 Shawn Bird "B" Runner Up
Bantam/Midget: #1 Eldon Thompson & Paul Rooney "A" Champs
#2 Jeremy Perry & Ryan Kearns "B" Champs

To parents, fans, umpires and players, thank you for your support.

idget A Champs with coach Eldon Thompson.

Sheffield - Camden Minor Softball League at Tamworth

TAMWORTH: *On September 9th, the Camden Sheffield Minor Softball League held a BBQ and trophy day. Everyone enjoyed hotdogs, and the get together with team mates and coaches to hash over the final games and say hello again. T-shirts were returned and trophies given out. Much effort was put into the baseball season by the coaches and score keepers. photo/Chris Jones*

Methodist Churches in Sheffield

I The first appointment was established by Rev. Robert Carson and Rev. Gilbert Miller, who were ministers in charge of the Napanee circuit covering the area to Wheeler's Mills (Tamworth).

A Wesleyan Church was built about 1855 on what is Ottawa St. now - east of where the Sheffield Township Hall is located. It is shown on the Walling map of 1860. In the Historical Atlas of Front of Lennox and Addington by J. H. Meacham Co. it is labeled C. M. Church. It was used until the Methodist Union 1884. The building was destroyed by fire in 1895 when the whole block was destroyed.

II Brick Episcopal Methodist Church built in 1862 at the corner of Bridge and Neely St. In 1884 they were joined by the Wesleyan Methodist congregation. This church continued in use until realignment in 1967. It was sold to a person, who in turn sold it to the United Pentecostal congregation, who are using it now in 1996.

III The 1878 Historic Atlas shows a C.M. church on the E½ lot 1. con. 10. on a farm owned by B. Hinchey (no other reference found)

Source ① Casey Scrapbook - Tamworth Past and Present 1901.

② 1860 Walling ③ 1878 Atlas.

Ingle - York appointment Lot. 1. con. 2.

History of Lime Lake Community by Nina Jarmin 1967.

The first settlers in this area travelled by horseback to attend church at Ingle. Sometime later they built their own Methodist Church. This one was replaced in 1908.

John McLaughlin (Donald & McLaren's great, great grandfather) donated the site for the cemetery and school. Services were held in the school. The McLaughlin family have no recollection of a church building. There was a shed built on the cemetery lot where horses were tied. This shed was moved by McLaren closer to his farm buildings in the 1960's. In 1895 the York appointment joined Roblin and in 1906 joined the Tamworth Methodist.

Free Methodist Church at Fifth Lake.

Lot 14. con. 16 Sheffield. A deed from Catherine Hagar was registered Nov. 24, 1904 for the consideration of $1.00 to grantees Cyrus and Thomas Hagar, Franklin and Emerson Snider and Daniel Cousins Trustees of Fifth Lake Congregation of the Free Methodist Church. It was with the Enterprise Charge. Hagarville was on the circuit as well.

United Church Fifth Lake.

There is a circuit register with the Enterprise records covering 1916-1953. From it we know there was a church there but there is no report after 1923. People moved from the area and the church closed.

Anglican Christ Church Tamworth

The church and cemetery are on Concession Road north of the 4 corners between Church and Ann Streets.

In 1863 Rev. J.L. Burrows was sent as a resident missionary to Tamworth, where he organized church life. Prior to this Rev. Paul Shirley from Clark's Mills (Camden East) made periodic visits and held services in Bell and Tyner School's.

A meeting was held in the town hall on Sept. 14, 1863. A resolution was passed that a church be built. A site was given by Calvin Wheeler. A contract was awarded to Saul Brothers in 1864. Consecration Service was Friday, March 17, 1865 with Bishop John Lewis in attendance. The tower, left unfinished when the church was built, was finished for the 125th anniversary in 1990.

1864-69 Rev. Smythe held services at Glebe dwelling, at Close farm, at Croydon & White Lake School.

1870's Roderick Wheeler house purchased for rectory.

1901 This house sold to Mrs. Jas. Shields, moved to Cunningham Park Est.

New brick rectory built costing $2400.

1891 St. Matthew's Church was built in Marlbank, cost $800. land donated by Henry Allen.

1915 Rev. Jones wrote a history of Christ Church, which included a list of the rectors and wardens from 1863 to 1975.

Rev. Harold Murray updated it in 1975. Thanks to Cora Reid for information.

Mary Burns.

Joy Lloyd

Betty Wheeler Marian Coulter

Flower Arranging Display at Selby.
1995

Pictures taken by Vera Hannan.

Dr. Dominic Hunt

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Dr. Dominic Hunt was born in 1921 in a log cabin in Cloyne. He was one of thirteen children. His parents moved to a farm north of Newburgh. Dominic attended a rural school in Camden township and then he went to Newburgh Academy for his secondary education. After graduating from there he attended Queen's University, from which he received his degree in medicine in 1944.

Dr. Hunt interned at Hotel Dieu Hospital in Kingston and at the Ottawa Civic Hospital. Then he joined the Navy and worked as a Naval Surgeon in British Columbia. After his discharge from the Navy he returned to this area and began practice with his brother Dr. George in Marlbank on Oct. 10, 1946.

Shortly after, Dr. George opened an office in Tamworth and Dr. Dominic worked at their home in Marlbank. Home visits were common for the Hunt brothers for many years. The payment was modest, even for the post-war years of the mid 1940's. They charged one dollar for an office call plus a dollar and a half for a bottle of medicine. Dr. Dominic had an x-ray machine installed in his office, which was the only one between Kingston and Belleville until the hospital was built in Napanee.

He was interested in sports. He played baseball and hockey for Tamworth and Marlbank and also coached hockey teams.

Dr. Dominic retired in June 1994 after practicing in Marlbank for 48 years. Together with his brother George, who worked in this area for 52 years, the Hunt brothers have given 100 years of medical service.

The Anglican Women's Guild of Marlbank hosted a retirement party for Dr. Dominic. Regretfully his health failed rapidly and Dr. Dominic died Jan. 4, 1995. His funeral was held in the Church of the Assumption, Erinsville and his burial was in the parish cemetery. He and his brother George will be fondly remembered in our area for many years. Dr. Jamieson, a relative has re-opened the office in Marlbank.

Mary Burns.

A TRUE FIGHTER: By tackling a life-threatening disease head on, Julie Allore is named an Ontario Junior Citizen of the Year

By Ross Lees
Staff Reporter

Julia Allore, 18, of Tamworth, for her steadfast determination in overcoming acute lymphoblastic leukemia.

In spite of double hip replacement, she volunteers her time at local hospitals for cancer fund-raising, school peer counselling and tutoring, and still finds time for her own jewellery design business. Julia shows responsibility and initiative beyond her years.

That's how the Ontario Community Newspaper Association introduced Tamworth's Julie Allore to newspapers across the province when they announced their 12 Ontario Junior Citizens of the Year for 1995 last week.

PERSONALITY OF THE WEEK

Once you get to know even a little about Julie, it's easy to understand why she has been chosen as one of this select group of youthful role models. In all, 193 young people were nominated by the 265 community newspapers in Ontario for their "courage, ingenuity, resourcefulness, initiative, leadership, fortitude and community service." In selecting Julie as one of the dozen winners, it's clear she fits the bill.

Julie's life and that of her family changed forever in January of 1991 when she was diagnosed with acute lymphoblastic leukemia. In that instant, she was transformed from an everyday 13-year-old on the verge of adulthood to a young lady with a tremendous fight on her hands. Julie came out swinging and never looked back.

As her mother, Margaret says in her nomination form:

"Since my daughter, Julie, was struck by a life-threatening illness, acute lymphoblastic leukemia, I have never ceased to be amazed at her courage and steadfast determination to overcome her illness and to succeed in her future goals.

"Julie was diagnosed with ALL in January, 1991 when she was 13 and in Grade 8. In spite of missing almost all of her final six months of elementary school, Julie graduated with honours by studying at home between chemotherapy treatments and hospital stays for various related problems (nausea, blood transfusions, etc.).

"Throughout high school, Julie has maintained an 85-plus average while missing three to four months of school for treatment (which took roughly 14 months of outpatient visits) and for a double hip replacement for problems related to her chemo treatments."

Julie's father, Bob, recalls those moments after the family discovered Julie had cancer.

"It was shocking. You just don't believe anything like this will ever happen to someone in your family. I really felt sad. It was hard to deal with...it's such a helpless feeling."

Margaret adds, "I remember it as a very numb time. You lose track of anything other than the present. You have to concentrate on just getting through every day and helping Julie get through it."

While her parents and brother and sister were trying to help her, Julie was launching her own fight.

"In many ways, Julie helped us through it," Margaret reflects from a warm dining room on a bitterly cold night. "She never gave up. She always went back — to more drugs, more sickness."

Even now, chemotherapy is still a hard time for Julie to talk about.

"It was really difficult," she says while glancing at her mother. "I would come home and be sick for three or four hours, then sleep for five or six hours."

As Bob, Margaret and Julie recall those days, you can almost sense them drawing closer together, consolidating their strength for the fight.

"One thing that really helped us," Margaret remembers, "was our families, our brothers and sisters. They couldn't have been more wonderful. And we had good friends who said they were always praying for Julie, and they still do to this day."

"Prayer was a big thing for us," Bob adds.

Although Julie is a normal teenager with the usual quirks of moodiness and rebelliousness, she has

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Ross Lees-Staff

FAN SUPPORT — Julie Allore sits at the dining room table with her two biggest fans, her father, Bob and mother, Margaret. They have been amazed at the stamina and courage with which Julie has fought acute lymphoblastic leukemia. Julie has been impressed with the support given by her parents.

JULIE, FROM PAGE 1

never given our family any cause for worry. We can always rely on her to accept household responsibilities, to accept reasonable rules (curfew, homework, meal preparation), and to make mature decisions if necessary. She prefers to accept responsibility and consequences for wrong choices rather than make excuses.

— MARGARET ALLORE

If anything is clear, it is that Julie is anything but a "normal teenager."

She boards her bus to Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School at 7:05 a.m. and arrives home at approximately 4:45 p.m. As an OAC student, she has maintained an 85-plus average and finds her final year in high school "pretty easy actually."

At school, Julie is a peer counsellor helping students cope with illness. Since her goal is teaching, she has also helped other students academically. In Grade 12, Julie worked for half a day during one semester to help teach a Grade 7 French immersion class. She also does private tutoring in math and French.

Julie has received the Canada Cord for Girl Guides, was a Pathfinder for one year and has coached a baseball team of nine- and 10-year-olds for two summers.

In her spare time, Julie has helped support the Leukemia Research Foundation through participating in walk-a-thons, working at the Christmas Leukemia Shop in Kingston and canvassing for the Cancer Society.

During the summer of 1994, she drove 80 kilometres per day to work at the Childlife Program (Hotel Dieu Hospital, Kingston) and Extend-a-Family programs as a volunteer. During her March break, 1995, she volunteered at Rideau Regional Hospital and then spent her summer as a ward helper for this institution for mentally handicapped adults. She plans to return to work there in 1996 as well. In September, 1996 she plans to enter an education program to become a teacher.

I have known Julia Allore for several years; she was a student in my Grade 11 advanced mathematics class in the second semester of the 1993-94 school year. At the beginning of the semester, Julia underwent surgery to replace her hip joints which had deteriorated as a result of the chemotherapy...Despite this, and a subsequent absence from in-class instruction for six weeks, she pursued the course with great vigour...This is not atypical of Julia; she never uses her personal hardships in any way other than as hurdles to be overcome.

— ANNE CORTIS, A FORMER TEACHER OF JULIE'S

Take all of that and you have an extremely busy life for anybody, but Julie adds yet another dimension.

She also happens to be a young entrepreneur.

Julie makes her own jewellery out of "friendly plastic," cutting strips of coloured plastic and melting it in a frying pan with water. She forms the melted mixture into shapes — making petal flower broaches and ear rings. And they're environmentally safe, too.

"Christmas is a busy time," Julie says of her business which is popular among the staff at Holy Cross, a shop in Kingston and a number of craft shows. "I get a lot of orders in the last week (before Christmas)."

Silken Laumen is not the only Canadian who had "the courage to continue." Julia Allore is another Canadian who had to face a much tougher race — a race for her life. He deadly opponent — leukemia. It tons Julie's faith and determination, combined with the love and support of family and friends that enabled her to defeat this disease...Julie is one teen who has succeeded. With her quiet, friendly and unassuming manner, Julie is a role model for students and staff alike. She is "living" proof that with love, faith and determination, anyone can have "the courage to continue" and win the race.

— JEANNETTE BARRY - ATTENDANCE SECRETARY AT HOLY CROSS

Julie has grown philosophical about the cancer that changed her life.

"I know it's just a part of my life," she says simply. But she knows who to thank for the help she received in her battle against this insidious disease.

"My family. They always had someone there with me at the cancer clinic. My doctor, Marion Silva and the nurses at the cancer clinic and Noreen Barnett," who helped co-ordinate some of Julie's extra-curricular activities and who was also instrumental in co-ordinating the nomination.

"And everyone I would meet on the street who would ask about me, all my mom's and dad's families, who would come in to give mom and dad a break"

ENTREPRENEURIAL SPIRIT — Julie Allore keeps her life full and busy as she tutors other students at school, volunteers when she can and she even has her own jewellery business.

Margaret mentions her French immersion class, who dropped in to visit her at the hospital and who were "there the first day she went to school with an illness."

Her mother also has people to thank. "I thank Julie. I don't know how many people would be as strong...to have this problem and go on."

Margaret talks about the special aura and drive that seem to infect cancer patients.

"It's like an inner power or inner strength they alone seem to have. They seem to know how to deal with things."

Margaret also credits her other two children and her husband for putting up with her.

"While I helped Julie, they had to keep things going here. My husband was the other half of the connection to try and keep things going. And all the friends who still pray for Julie. I don't know how anybody ever does get through things alone. I'm sure they do, but I'm sure it's harder."

Julie stopped receiving chemotherapy two years ago. She has been in remission since and got a clean bill of health in a checkup Monday. After seven years, a cancer patient is deemed to be cured.

Julie has five years to go.

Ross Lees-Staff

OUTSTANDING CITIZEN — Tamworth's Julie Allore receives a certificate of appreciation from Sheffield Township deputy-reeve Ann Hopkins in recognition of her winning an Ontario Junior Citizen of the Year Award from the Ontario Community Newspaper Association.

Council honours outstanding citizen

By Ross Lees
Staff Reporter

SHEFFIELD

Julie Allore isn't going to receive an Ontario Community Newspaper Association Ontario Junior Citizen of the Year award without some recognition from her home township of Sheffield.

At a regular council meeting last Monday night, Allore was presented with a certificate of appreciation from Sheffield Township and a bouquet of roses. Deputy-reeve Ann Hopkins made the presentation on behalf of her council in the absence of reeve Gerald Milligan.

"Courage, stamina, faith and love are not usually words associated with a teenager," Hopkins said. "But they all apply to Julie Allore, who was recently chosen as an Ontario Junior Citizen of the Year."

Hopkins expressed pride on behalf of the municipality in seeing Julie's courage in fighting acute lymphoblastic leukemia recognized with the award.

Allore will be honoured by the OCNA at their annual awards gathering in Toronto in March. She was nominated for the award through *The Napanee Beaver* and is one of 12 Ontario Junior Citizens of the Year chosen by the OCNA.

Females - getting together - at Tamworth

by: L.J. Jackson

TAMWORTH: Rebuked for such hard work, one early rural woman, said while laughing and stretching out her muscular arm, "That arm is the axle tree of the world."

At some point in time, at some place - you learn to respect women. Old fashioned sewing circles used to give women the opportunity for a sharing of mutual support. Grandmas afternoon teas or Sunday luncheons provided meeting places to widen their circle of friends. Women touch, embrace, communicate, share recipes, cry and laugh together - but in rural communities of today, there are fewer opportunities to meet.

The voice and concerns of rural women are different than that of the urban woman. Tea Time on Tuesdays is a social hour that was created from the recognition that rural women need a meeting place.

It is a place to chat - a simple time without an agenda.

You can't be too old. You can't be too young. The only criteria, explains Glenda Novack who stepped out of her comfort zone to begin the meeting place, is "that you are a female."

Glenda has spent a lifetime of respecting women. She had a woman role model growing up - her mother.

One woman who has attended the social hour, a lady from the area, held the interest of the group with her knowledge of Tamworth, telling it like it was 80 years ago. Glenda, along with the others who joined in, enjoyed the historian's tales and was eager for more.

There is a variety with the social hour and with this variety sparks interest, knowledge, stories, and sharing. It is this very difference, this variety of women which can enhance the group. Women have a lot to offer in a group setting, says Glenda.

"What a wealth of information, I have discovered from the women of Tamworth," Glenda sets no speeds on the group. She is no coordinator. It has been birthed at a slow and steady pace and if or how it evolves, it evolves.

The Tea Time which hosts tea, coffee and conversation takes place at a cozy cottage next to the Anglican Church at Tamworth. It is a place for women to evolve, to break out of themselves, to awaken to a consciousness of their own sex. All females are encouraged to attend, to create their venues.

Tamworth teen is OCNA Junior Citizen of the Year

Lynn Rees Lambert
KINGSTON THIS WEEK

Stellar student is a peer counsellor, hospital volunteer and a fighter — she has won her fight with leukemia.

As role models go, Julie Allore is up there in the province's top 12.

The 18-year-old Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School student was chosen as one of 12 Ontario Junior Citizens of the Year by the Ontario Community Newspaper Association (OCNA).

The awards program is sponsored by the OCNA and Bell Canada. Since 1981, the junior citizen awards have been presented to individuals ages 6-18 who have overcome various physical or psychological difficulties, contributed to the community in a volunteer or leadership role, performed an act of heroism or who exemplify the qualities of a "good kid."

Julie received her award at an awards ceremony March 29 in Toronto.

The Tamworth teen is a stellar student, peer counsellor, hospital volunteer and a fighter. At 13, she was diagnosed with acute lymphoblastic leukemia.

The young woman has battled cancer and come out the clear victor.

In her nominating letter, Holy Cross mathematics teacher Anne Cortis writes: "At the beginning of the semester, Julie underwent surgery to replace her hip joints which had deteriorated as a result of the chemotherapy. Despite this, and a subsequent absence from in-class instruction for six weeks, she pursued the course with great vigour. This is not atypical of Julie. She never uses her personal hardships in any way other than as hurdles to overcome."

Julie says her goal is to become a teacher. She's getting good training by tutoring English to three students this semester.

Last year on her March break, she volunteered at Rideau Regional Hospital and then spent her summer as a ward helper at the institution for mentally handicapped adults.

Julie has received the Canada Cord for Girl Guides, coached a basketball team for two summers and spent a summer as a volunteer with the childlife program at Hotel Dieu Hospital.

"Silken Laumen is not the only Canadian who had the courage to continue," writes Jeannette Berry, a secretary at Holy Cross who also nominated Julie for the award.

"With her quiet, friendly and unassuming manner, Julie is a role model for students and staff alike. She is living proof that with love, faith and determination, anyone can have the courage to continue and win the race."

PHOTO: ROB MOOY

In their good books: Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School student Julie Allore (centre) is tops according to teachers Anne Cortis, Ian Stuart and secretary Jeannette Berry, who nominated Julie for the Junior Citizen of the Year awards program.

Bradshaw Mill is a family affair

Garry Bradshaw says he is not exactly sure why his father Earl purchased the local feed mill in Tamworth in 1939, but it has been in the Bradshaw family since that time, and likely will be for many more years to come.

Mr. Bradshaw took over running the mill in 1966, and his son Norman has taken over from him.

"I am semi-retired now, but I'm still involved somewhat," he says.

The operation of the mill is very much a family affair. Mr Bradshaw's wife Arlene worked in the office, but she too is now "semi-retired". Their daughter Michele Kirkpatrick now runs the office.

There are three other staff members, Don Clement, Wayne Moss, and Ian Hudson, working in the mill in Tamworth.

The Bradshaw's also own a feed store in Napanee with Carl Wilson as the manager, and David Asselstine working with him.

The mill in Tamworth has quite a lengthy history. It was originally built in 1865. That mill was destroyed by fire, and was rebuilt in 1923. Another fire caused that mill's destruction, and the present mill was rebuilt by Earl Bradshaw in 1955.

Up until 1955, the machinery at the mill was powered by the Salmon River. Since that time, they have been powered electrically.

The store at the front of Bradshaw's carries products for animal health (including pet food and flea spray), farm products, garden supplies, and some apparel such as rubber boots and gloves.

The mill also processes and sells feed for pigs, chickens, horses, and other livestock.

However, the mainstay of the business is the manufacturing of feed for beef and dairy cattle.

"That always has been our market, and still is," Mr. Bradshaw says.

The mill does all of the grinding, rolling, mixing, and processing of feed appropriate for each animal group it is intended for.

The processing includes the supplements needed for the animals., so that it is the right percentage.

Mr. Bradshaw says the dairy rations are likely the most popular from the mill.

"We do the mix of corn, barley, oats, and the supplement, and then we add the molasses which the cows seem to really like."

The feed is mixed to certain specifications, and if the producer has their own formula, then the mill will follow it, Mr. Bradshaw notes.

He says his father started with rolling the grains, and balancing the rations before moving into custom grinding and custom processing.

At one time, their customers may have just been from the Tamworth area, but Bradshaw's now services a much larger area.

"We have customers in the Deseronto and Odessa area, and as far north as Highway 7," Mr Bradshaw says.

In addition to having the many bags of feed available, Bradshaw's also has a bulk feed truck which will go right to the farm and transfer the feed into a bin.

They will also bring the grain into the mill for processing if the farmer is not able to bring the grain in.

"We deliver everything we sell, and the transfer of the grain is just another service," Mr. Bradshaw says.

"The bulk feed is a large part of our business, but I don't think we will ever get away from filling and hauling bags," he says. "We'll always have bags of feed."

"The custom grinding, rolling and now processing of feed has been our business since 1939 and we're very proud of that family tradition."

Norman Bradshaw (l.), along with his father, Garry, and staff member Don Clement (r.) enjoy running Bradshaw's Feed Mill.

Country Life

Fund raising and firefighting in Sheffield

This will be a busy year for the Sheffield Volunteer Fireman's Association.

The firefighters from Sheffield Township, who make up the association, plan on doing more fund raising, and they also plan on producing a newsletter four times in 1996.

The association was formed in 1963, the same time as the Sheffield Volunteer Fire Department.

The first fire chief was Fred Thompson, who was also the president of the Volunteer Fireman's Association.

The current fire chief is Jim Beattie, but elections are now held for the association.

This year's President is Peter Couvreur who has been on the fire department for two years.

One of Mr. Couvreur's biggest tasks will be overseeing the fund raising the association does.

"We have to do a lot of that in order to buy equipment for the hall, and for the department," he says, "and with the government cutbacks, we will likely have to do even more than we have done in the past."

To date, more than $50,000 has been raised for the department.

The biggest fund raising event is the annual dance held in the late spring or early summer.

This year's dance will be held at the Community Centre in Tamworth on June 29. The band, Rick Smith and Free Beer will be providing the entertainment.

Other events tentatively planned are a Walk-A-Thon, and some 50/50 draws.

Although no priorities have been set, Mr. Couvreur says there is always a need for new equipment, and this year will be no exception.

"We need some new bunker gear (firefighting uniforms), and a new van," Mr. Couvreur says. "There is a growing list of what is needed."

A new fire hall is under construction, so there will be some things needed there as well, he adds.

Funds were raised for this project over the past four or five years, Mr. Couvreur says, but more will be needed.

Firefighting equipment is getting more sophisticated, and therefore more expensive, so the budget from the township cannot supply everything which is needed.

There are 21 members of the Sheffield Volunteer Fireman's Association, and they also get support from family and friends.

"We also get a tremendous amount of support from the community, which is really appreciated," Mr. Couvreur says.

"We realize these are hard times, and everyone is having to do fund raising, so when the community comes out to support us, we know that it is sometimes hard for them to do.

We would just like to really thank them for that support."

Along with the fund raising events, Mr. Couvreur says the executive will be organizing more training sessions in order to keep the department up to date.

"It's going to be a busy year indeed."

Caught in the crossfire

Tamworth heist a harrowing moment for CIBC staff, customers

By Murray Hogben
Whig-Standard Staff Writer

FOR STEVE MARSHALL, A 42-YEAR-OLD FATHER OF three from Tamworth, dodging a bullet was just an expression until yesterday.

Marshall, a class A mechanic, was test driving a Ford Bronco at about 11:30 a.m. when he dove under the dashboard after masked bandits who robbed the Bank of Commerce in Tamworth opened fire on his vehicle. The Bronco belongs to an employee at the bank.

MARSHALL

"I'm still shook up a little," said the uninjured Marshall in a telephone interview a short time after his dramatic encounter.

A mechanic at Moss' Garage for 10 years, Marshall was driving down the main street when he saw two men get out of a car near the bank.

"One was in a ski mask and the other had dark glasses and a hat pulled down over his eyes," he said. "I saw them go in the bank, so I drove around the block and then through the windows of the bank I saw one of them coming from behind the counter of the bank so I knew something was up.

"The two of them came out about a second later and jumped in the car and pulled away.

"I got the licence number of it while I was driving by and they went around the corner and headed in an easterly direction, so I went around the next block and at one intersection I kind of pulled in front of them.

"The next thing I knew, two shots rang out and I ducked behind the dash and then they tore out of there and I followed them again – this time about 100 feet behind them.

"They went east again and they just got across the bridge in Tamworth and I was just about to go across the bridge too and they halted her and one guy jumped out again, so that's when I departed quick," Marshall added.

Marshall said he never saw the weapon that was turned on him.

"Possibly the first two shots were a warning," Marshall said. "Maybe the third wasn't going to be a warning. That's why I departed."

Marshall said he didn't look directly at the robbers during the confrontation that led to the gunfire.

"I was being kind of nonchalant," he said. "I wasn't really trying to interfere with them … I saw them roll down the window [on the passenger's side] but I didn't see a gun come out or anything … I more heard [the shots] than saw them."

Police arrest one suspect in Harrowsmith yesterday after a high-speed chase that followed a robbery at the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce in Tamworth

Cruiser collides with suspect vehicle, leading to arrest in Harrowsmith

By Boris Nikolovsky and Murray Hogben
Whig-Standard Staff Writers

TWO SUSPECTED BANK ROBBERS LEADING POLICE ON A WILD chase were arrested at gunpoint in Harrowsmith yesterday.

The dramatic takedown in the centre of the town, northwest of Kingston, capped a pursuit that began after two masked bandits robbed the CIBC bank in Tamworth.

While police say no shots were fired inside the bank, a citizen briefly tailing the getaway car in Tamworth sped to safety after hearing two loud bangs, believed to be gunshots.

Later in Harrowsmith, armed police burst out of a line of cruisers tailing a 1991 grey Ford Tempo and moved in to surround the car after a high-speed pursuit up Hwy. 38, from north of Hwy. 401, shortly after noon.

Police quickly forced two male suspects out of the car and face down on the pavement to make the arrest after a cruiser collided with the Tempo.

TWO MASKED MEN

Earlier, at 11:30 a.m., two masked men walked into the Tamworth bank north of Napanee demanding cash.

"One of them was behind the counter near me so fast," said Tracy Marlin, a bank employee confronted by the bandits.

The CIBC in Tamworth

It was the second time the bank has been robbed while she worked, said the shaken, pregnant 28-year old.

"It's very scary when you know they can shoot you," she said.

Three customers and a small boy were in the bank at the time, she said.

Just across the street at Ray Gaffney Motors, car salesman Floyd Tuepah was startled to see, through the bank window, a masked man jumping over the counter.

Owner Patricia Gaffney called police as Tuepah – familiar with cars – identified the make, model and licence plate of the getaway car as the two men fled past him.

Just a half minute later, "I was trying to listen and I heard two gun shots," he said.

The suspect vehicle fled east until it was spotted by a South Frontenac OPP officer on Hwy. 38, when the chase ensued.

Police hail arrest as 'great day'

HARROWSMITH

By Rob Tripp and Murray Hogben
Whig-Standard Staff Writers

POLICE IN THE KINGSTON AREA HAVE HAILED THE arrest of two suspects just an hour after a bank robbery as a textbook case of crack police work and community co-operation.

Two men have been charged with five offences each after a dramatic high speed chase ended Wednesday just after noon in Harrowsmith with a gunpoint arrest.

"This was certainly a great day," said Staff Sgt. Tom Varga, commander of the South Frontenac provincial police detachment.

Varga said citizens who saw the holdup suspects making their getaway from the Tamworth Bank of Commerce called in vital, precise information.

"That was really the key to the success of this whole operation," he said.

Varga also had high praise for the South Frontenac officer who spotted the getaway car on the 401 as it headed east. Varga said about 10 police cruisers were involved in the pursuit and roadblocks that led to the arrest of two men.

Const. John Dennis of the Napanee OPP detachment, which was also involved the incident, said a police search turned up two weapons along Highway 38 – a .38-calibre revolver and a pellet pistol.

Dennis confirmed the report of auto mechanic Steve Marshall, who told *The Whig-Standard* Wednesday that the suspects fired two shots at him as he tried to follow them.

Marshall was not hurt.

The suspects appeared in Napanee court yesterday and were remanded until Jan. 25 for a bail hearing.

Robert Joseph Lamoureux, 46, of Kingston, and Gordon Randolph Ramsay, 26, of Seeleys Bay, each face five counts, including armed robbery, committing an offence while disguised, committing an offence using a firearm, possession of weapons dangerous and possession of stolen property.

Police said the getaway car used by the bandits was stolen.

Boris Nikolovsky/The Whig-Standard

Police arrest two suspects Wednesday after a high-speed chase ending in Harrowsmith

Historic tavern, with lake-view

They say that location is everything, and George Malcolm has a well-known country location for his Lakeview Tavern.

Mr. Malcolm says that since many people refer to his establishment as "the Beaver Lake tavern", he may work that into the name.

He took over the ownership of the Lakeview Tavern, on Highway 41 near Erinsville, a little over a year ago.

"Since we are right at the south shore of Beaver Lake, and everybody uses that [name], I have been thinking I might change the name of the place," Mr. Malcolm says.

He has already made a number of other changes to the tavern which was built in 1880, and has undergone a few changes in decor and management since that time.

Mr. Malcolm says he has not had the time to "fully investigate all of the historical information" about the tavern, but would like to do so in the near future.

"I do know that there were originally only the two rooms at the front, with the back area, where the bar is now, as the living quarters," he says.

Another back room was added six or seven years ago he says. Last year, Mr. Malcolm added the woodstove and fireplace which he says made the rooms nice and cozy.

One of the front rooms is a no-smoking section, something Mr. Malcolm says is not found in a lot of bars.

The other front room now has one pool table, and there are plans to add a second pool table, and perhaps a shuffleboard game table, and some pin-ball machines.

"I think having a nice games room will add a lot to the atmosphere here, and really draw people in, especially during the winter months," Mr. Malcolm notes.

There have been changes made to the outside of the building as well.

Pine has been put on around the lower level, and the upper level is to be painted.

A new, separate entrance to the restaurant area, which is to be re-opened this summer, has also been added.

The restaurant will offer "mostly fast food", Mr. Malcolm says, including the home-cut fries, chili, and large hamburgers the Lakeview Tavern is already quite well known for.

Mr. Malcolm says he is hoping to offer full dinners, such as a Roast Beef dinner, on a regular basis once the restaurant is open.

There is a juke-box, with mostly country and rock tunes, and the Lakeview Tavern has its own sound system.

"We can play just about anything someone wants to hear," Mr. Malcolm says.

About once a month, Mr. Malcolm brings in a band to offer the patrons some live music.

The next band will be playing on June 7.

"They [the bands] play mostly country music, but some have played bluegrass music," Mr. Malcolm says. " I hope we will be able to get some fiddle players in as that type of music is very popular."

The Lakeview Tavern is sponsoring a fishing derby on Saturday, June 3. There is a $5 entry fee, and tickets may be purchased at the tavern.

Mr. Malcolm says the Lakeview hopes to sponsor other events such as another Darts League.

"We had about a dozen regulars in here on Thursday nights playing darts, but if we get more boards, I hope to have more people coming in."

The Darts League has disbanded for the summer, but will resume in September.

Being on Beaver Lake does attract a lot of tourists and cottagers, Mr. Malcolm says.

He notes they were quite busy on the long weekend, and says that he hopes most weekends, as well as week nights throughout the summer will be busy.

The Lakeview Tavern is open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. There may be different hours for the restaurant.

Mr. Malcolm has part-time staff in on an "as-needed" basis, and will likely be hiring more staff for the restaurant, he says.

His girlfriend Christine Jarvis is also involved in the business.

"It's a good, and seemingly popular location, and I think we have made a number of nice changes, and have more planned," Mr. Malcolm says, "and for now it is still the Lakeview Tavern."

George Malcolm has owned the Lakeview Tavern in Erinsville for a little over a year.

Travelling band of Old Tyme Fiddlers at Tamworth Hotel

Tamworth: The Old Tyme Fiddlers have been a travelling band around the area for about eight years. The group began with the motivation of one woman, Anne Richmond. Anne has always had music in her soul, a toe tapping inheritance of her family. Family get togethers always come together with either a quiet tune or a boisterous hoedown. The Old Tyme Fiddlers are a bunch who get together playing at the local hotels, and many benefits and charities. They come from all over; Bruce Osborne of Northbrook; Glenn Moore of Verona; Anne Davison of Odessa; Norman Ritchie of Inevary; Ken & Freda Tracey of Roslin; Bernie O'Sullivan of Deseronto; Wally Brumm of Kingston; and of course, Anne Richmond of Tamworth. photo/ L.J. Jackson

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Feb. 15 proclaimed Flag of Canada Day

Prime Minister Jean Chretien announced yesterday that starting this year Feb. 15 will be designated National Flag of Canada Day, as part of Citizenship Week celebrations.

The maple leaf flag forever

An RMC professor taught and created history when he helped design the nation's official flag

By William Shields
For The Whig-Standard

BACK IN 1964, SOMEONE THOUGHT the Canadian flag should feature the image of shapely woman draped in see-through red and white cloth.

But fortunately, the committee wading through the 2,000 designs for the Canadian flag preferred George F. G. Stanley's vision.

"I saw a number of designs," recalls Mr. Stanley, who designed the flag that has flown, as of today, for 31 years.

"Some were amusing. One was a design of a woman in a rather filmy red-and-white dress. Some of them were really quite absurd. I got a good laugh out of them."

Mr. Stanley headed the history department at the Royal Military College from 1949 to 1969.

He later served as Lieutenant Governor of New Brunswick from 1982 to 1987.

31ST ANNIVERSARY

Mr. Stanley, now 88, was interviewed by phone yesterday at his home in Sackville, N.B. regarding his role in the design of the nation's official flag.

"I had been interested in a Canadian flag for a long time."

He was approached by John Matheson in 1964, who sat on then-prime minister Lester Pearson's special committee to propose a flag design.

"He asked me for a memorandum on the history of Canadian symbols.I pointed out that the Canadian flag should have a single maple leaf and incorporate two colors – red and white."

Mr. Stanley sketched out his own vision of what the flag ought to look like: a single red maple leaf on a background of white between two columns of red.

He submitted the sketch to the committee and, after minor alterations, its basic design was agreed upon unanimously.

An extended debate ensued as the committee reported its recommendation to the House of Commons.

After approximately 250 speeches in the House, a vote held after midnight led to Mr. Stanley's design being accepted by a count of 163 to 78.

A royal proclamation was signed by Her Majesty on Jan. 28, 1965, to make the decision official. About two weeks later, on February 15, the national flag was officially unfurled.

Canada celebrates Flag Day

❶ The Royal Union Flag, commonly referred to as the Union Jack, was first flown over Canada in 1621.

❷ The Canadian Red Ensign was first used in 1870 and later adopted to identify Canadian ships overseas. In 1924 it was officially approved and used to identify all government buildings abroad.

❸ The national flag was raised for the first time at the Peace Tower on Parliament Hill, at noon on Feb. 15, 1965, as it was proclaimed by Queen Elizabeth II. Our flag was one of 2,600 submissions to a parliamentary committee, which chose the red and white design we see today.

Source: Department of the Secretary of State of Canada, Symbols of Nationhood

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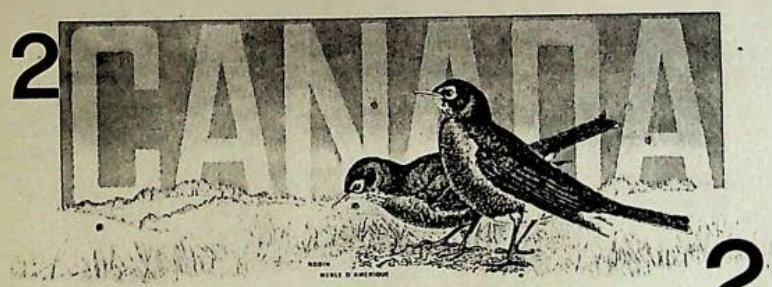

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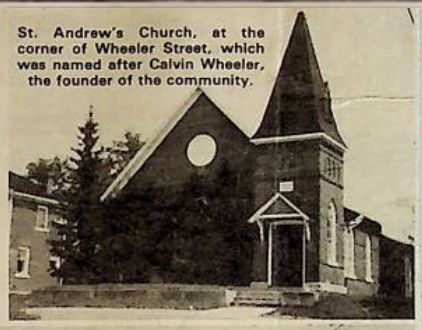
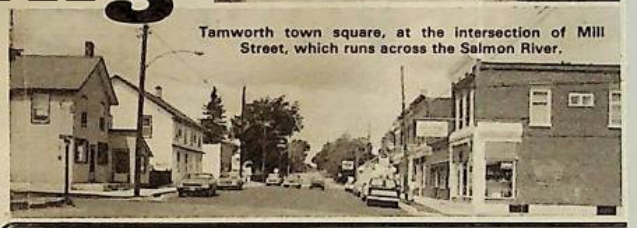
A Swift Look Round

Calvin's town is booming



St. Andrew's Church, at the corner of Wheeler Street, which was named after Calvin Wheeler, the founder of the community.



Tamworth town square, at the intersection of Mill Street, which runs across the Salmon River.

FIFTY YEARS ago, Tamworth almost died. You didn't hear about it? No, nobody hears very much about the world's tiniest Tamworth, situated in the province of Ontario, in Canada.

Its population is still under 1,000 — unlike its busy namesakes in Australia and in the United States, and in Staffordshire, England.

But in the 1930s, the little hamlet was in desperate straits. Small local factories who were unable to face the competition of cheap goods brought in by the railways, were closing. Young people left to seek employment in the cities.

Yet there was even less there when Calvin Wheeler emigrated from our own Tamworth to Ontario at the beginning of the 19th century. He was one of the adventurers who had hacked their way through the woods north of the great Lake Ontario.

He was a millwright, and, 20 miles from the great lake, he built a saw mill on the Salmon River. His first venture in the new continent had been in Vermont — but here in Ontario he was among the earliest settlers, and here he lived the rest of his life.

Although the area had been surveyed in 1821, the same year that Calvin arrived there, settlers were slow to come and live in this neck of the woods. But around the mill, a small, scattered community gradually grew, and the place became known as Wheeler's Mills.

By 1828, the inhabitants of the village decided that they deserved a Post Office of their own — and asked Wheeler to name it. But he did not choose to call it by the name it had through usage — instead he remembered his own town, back in England, which at that time was well-known through the fame of its MP, Sir Robert Peel, who was at that time Prime Minister to Queen Victoria.

So Wheeler called his hamlet 'Tamworth' — and gradually the place grew into a taxable township. A grist mill, a saw mill and a woollen mill started up, a nursery and a distillery were soon established, and there was even a carriage maker.

Professional men came to minister to the people of the area — a doctor, a lawyer, a teacher and a Justice of the Peace.

By 1884, the Quebec railroad had reached Tamworth . . . and the townsfolk were sure that prosperity was just around the corner.

But 10 years later, a tremendous fire burnt down a block of their business premises — and at the beginning of this century, another fire devastated the whole village.

The residents clung on, however, determinedly replacing the old wooden structures with modern brick buildings, striving to win back trade and repopulate the district. But two world wars, and a world-wide depression made life even harder for these Tamworthians far away in the Dominion of Canada.

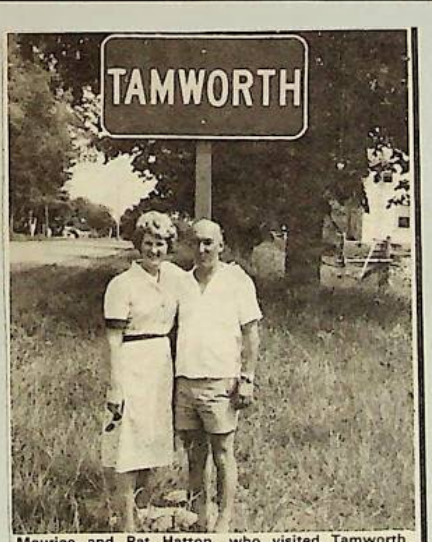
Farmers found themselves caught in the economy squeeze, unable to afford either labour or machinery. The hard-worked little farms were abandoned, and it looked as though the small community would soon be completely deserted.

But by 1960 the pattern of life was changing. As house prices in the cities rose sky high, more and more families began to move back into the country.

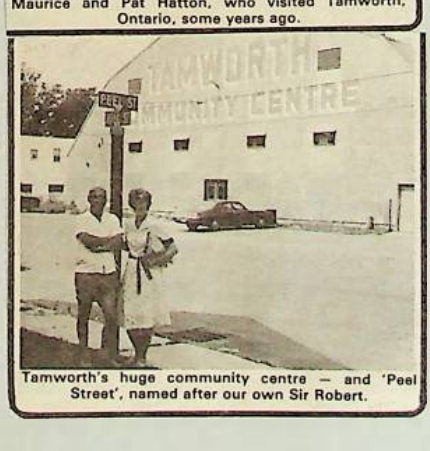
Now Tamworth, Canada, finds itself thriving again, the centre of a tourist trade with visitors thronging to its beautiful, lake fronted countryside. It has a big Community Centre, with artificial ice for skating, broomball, curling and hockey. Jamboree Day is the first Monday in August, with sports and social events, when funds are raised to finance the volunteer fire brigade for the whole of the Sheffield area.

They have a bi-weekly paper, *The Grindstone*, with news of births, marriages and deaths, personal comments and messages that make it clear that everybody knows everybody in this small namesake of ours across the water.

It is proud of its reputation as 'The Friendliest Town' . . . so if you go to see the Niagara Falls or visit friends in Canada — go a little further and see that other Tamworth in Ontario, where Calvin Wheeler's descendant, Mrs Betty Wheeler, still lives in the house he built there as one of its first settlers 160 years ago.



Maurice and Pat Hatton, who visited Tamworth, Ontario, some years ago.



Tamworth's huge community centre — and 'Peel Street', named after our own Sir Robert.

Contributed by Betty Wheeler.

Tamworth skaters not left out in cold

March 1996

By Aimee Dopking Pianosi
Staff Reporter

It was Stars On Ice Tamworth style Tuesday night, capping off a successful season for the Sheffield-Camden recreational skating club.

Over 100 skaters and nearly 300 guests gathered at the arena in Tamworth to celebrate the talents of the young stars.

Janie Ryan, mother of three skaters, was the master of ceremonies and the organizer of the event. Ryan has been doing most of the organizing with help from other parents for the last six years.

The Sheffield-Camden club is a non-competitive club not registered with the Canadian Figure Skating Association. According to Ryan this means they can keep

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costs down for all the skaters thus making it accessible to practically anyone at $55 per skater per season.

"One thing I've tried to do is keep the cost down so everybody can join," says Ryan. That was a little harder this year with a $20-per-hour increase in the ice rental fees, but they managed to raise the price by only $5 per skater.

"We follow the same format as the CFSA. Mrs. (Daile) Sprogis is a certified CFSA instructor so we follow all their guidelines. Because we're not affiliated we don't pay our dues and when the kids are tested it's not registered."

As for Tuesday's show, she says, "It went really well. I was really nervous, too. This year I was MC where last year I was getting people lined up and running around. It was great to be able to sit and watch the whole show from beginning to end."

Also because they're not affiliated with the CFSA there is no regulation that they have an organized executive.

"I've just been the one who's been doing it. Until we have a meeting with all the parents we can't make that kind of a decision," says Ryan. "It was run by one person, and I've been doing it now for six years. But the other parents are wonderful to help me out."

For example Jeff Edwards, Sharon Edwards, Lynda Bridge, Tammy DeMarco and Donna Moss spent almost two entire days making

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Aimee Dopking Pianosi-Staff

NO TWO ALIKE – Skaters from the Sheffield-Camden skating club presented their annual carnival Tuesday night. These six were gently falling snowflakes. In back (l to r) are Candis Erickson, Melanie Hagerman and Brittany Greenley. In front are (l to r) Natasha Prue, Becky Bridge and Stephanie Kirkpatrick. Each class presented their own artistic performance.

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a four-seasons mural for the backdrop for the carnival. "We tried to make last night a do-the-best-you-can night, but (told them) while you're out there have fun."

Ryan also works part time at the CIBC bank in Tamworth. The bank has been very helpful to the club, providing a photocopier and donating paper.

"Next year I'm definitely going to set up a committee to delegate responsibility. I get the help now when I need it, but I think it would be a lot easier to have it set up at the beginning of the year."

Ryan says she goes by the seat of her pants when it comes to the skating side of things. She relies on instructors Christine Erickson and Rhonda Clancy, David Allore and Dean Hoskins.

"I like volunteering. I've done a lot of it and it has to be done in a small community. Communities like Tamworth rely on volunteers to offer to the children what larger centres have provided by recreation committees."

FLOWER POWER – Rachel Montgomery, 7, warms up over the heater after skating in *Singing in the Rain* Tuesday night.

And the thanks she gets is obvious, "Just being at the carnival and seeing all those kids makes it worthwhile. They have so much fun and they're so excited. The parents are pleased and the instructors are thrilled with the way it turned out."

Brittany Greenley, 10, was a snowflake in *Walking in a Winter Wonderland* on Tuesday.

"I think it's fun because you learn the jumps and stuff and you get to show off what you've learned.

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Congratulations Sheffield-Camden Juveniles
All Ontario Champs

The cup is back in Tamworth ! Congratulations to the Tamworth Juveniles for their hard fought battle to win the Championship.

The four-out-of-seven series saw the team take two wins at home before they travelled to Cayuga on the weekend of March 25-27. Knowing they had to win one on the road, they came away with a loss Friday night. Saturday's game was a hard fought affair but a 3-1 victory for Tamworth set the tone for the Sunday game. Cayuga came back with a vengence and won 5-2.

But it was a different story Friday night when the Sabres packed the Tamworth arena and gave the fans their money's worth. It proved to be a nail-biter with Cayuga scoring at the end of the second period with 0.7 seconds on the clock to make it a 3-2 game. But a hat-trick goal by Dan Hopkins with 48 seconds left in the third period gave a 4-3 victory to Tamworth.

Victory is sweet but the journey can be long and gruelling. Coaches claim the success is due to the players determination, commitment to their team, and especially to the disciplined approach demonstrated by the team during the past three series.

Coaches and players would like to thank the community for the outstanding support and encouragement they received throughout the year.

Marlin split coaching duties with Eric Bartlett and Eric Smith throughout the season and all and all were extremely happy with the team's success.

The team went from the ice to the dressing room where celebratory ceremonies followed their hard fought victory.

It was a victory party many felt was a year overdue. Last April, the Ontario Minor Hockey Association overturned a decision to award the championship trophy to Tamworth after Norwich failed to show up for the final game.

The OMHA forced a replay and Tamworth (who had to play in the Napanee Arena) lost the game 4-2.

DRESSED FOR SUCCESS — Tamworth McCormick's have romped through two consecutive playoff series in reaching semi-final action of Midget E divisional play. Members of the team include (back row, left to right) Tom Hinch, David Allore, Scott Bell, Craig Nobles, Darren Dillon, Andy Slack, Tim Huffman, Adam Jelley, Steve Downs, James Dillon and Kale Murphy. (Front row) Jamie Hinchey, Ryan Lyman, John Hayes, Dan Murphy, Jacob Copson, Jim Hayes, Dorothy Bell, Mike Martin. (Missing are Steve Madden and Albert Jelley).

Congratulations
Tamworth - McCormick's
Midgets on winning the
all ontario Midget
Championship. Great work!

CONGRATULATIONS to the Sheffield Camden Atom Rep Hockey Team for a very successful season. With a busy schedule and several hockey tournaments, our boys always displayed great sportsmanship and team spirit.

Many thanks to our dedicated parents and families who are very supportive. Special thanks to Al and Ryan for the great assistance, and to Joel, Anna, and Ken.

Tamworth Women's Institute

Information Update

1995

Sept. Meeting : potluck luncheon. Donations were made of $150 to Tamworth Youth group for painting murals on bank wall, $25 to Cunningham Memorial Park re Christmas lights & $100 to Sheffield Township for Town Hall maintenance.

Oct Meeting : assistant Fire Chief Tony Szapira presented a video on fire safety and facts on the new Fire Hall now under construction. $100 donation was made to the Firehall.

Nov Meeting : served mini-tea to residents of Lenadco Home for the Aged in Copper Kettle dining area. Catered to Lions Dinner. Quilted two quilts - one complete, one underway. Sue Preston was guest speaker, and spoke on the necessity of career changes in the 90's. A former Public School teacher and OHIP office worker, she now has her own business designing & marketing cross-stitch kits.

Dec Meeting : Christmas Luncheon to be held in Devon Tea Room on Dec 11. Donation to Fire Hall to be given by each member. Knitting squares for Zambia. Working & donating cookies for Lenadco Bazaar on Dec 6. Naneen Tyner of Marlbank will give a demonstration of basket making. ***Everyone is welcome to all meetings.***

Tamworth Women's Institute 1996 Update

Jan - George Downing was guest speaker. He presented an informative film on the penal system. Question period followed.
- 1 quilt quilted
- 1 quilt top donated by Mary Barrett, made by her mother (former WI member) This was finished and donated to Interval House, Napanee.

Feb - Crocheted squares for 3 Afghans were donated. These were finished and put together by Mrs Clancy and are to be donated to Lenadco Bazaar in Dec. Speaker - Bonnie O'Neill who gave an interesting update on Dairy Farming in the '90's. Many changes have been made over the years and farming is a competitively run business.

March - WI ladies from Tamworth and other areas supplied pies for a Pie Social at Lenadco for the residents. They were appreciative of the 'home cooking taste' and the social time enjoyed.
- another quilt finished. Speaker Patti Layfield (CIBC manager) Topic :"Investment for Women."

April - catered Lions Dinner
- another quilt finished, our fingers have been busy ! WI quilts these for anyone who needs help finishing a top. Price is usually by donation and determined by amount of work required.

May - Donated crafts for IWIO Headquarters Store
- District Annual held in Selby.

June - finished yet another quilt.
- Co-sponsored "Reaching Out" pamphlet by SOS.
- trip taken to "Lake on the Mountain Inn" for lunch, followed by a visit to Piddlesbury Barns.

Also supported this year - 4H Club, Canada Day committee, Cunningham Park, Public School students involved in "Pitch-In" week.

Plans are under way for a 75th Anniversary Celebration of Tamworth Branch of Women's Institute, to be held Oct 4 from 7-9 pm. If anyone has info, photos, or memorabilia of previous charter members or meetings, we would appreciate your help. Phone Marion Coulter 379-5188 or Helen Craig 379-2236.

Everyone is welcome to this and all our regular meetings. Next meeting is Sept 9 at 1:30 at the Town Hall in Tamworth. This meeting will be a potluck luncheon at 12 noon. We will be preparing for our 75th Anniversary. Come join us, and bring a friend !

QUILTING

History-

The early colonists of Canada had only bedclothing they had brought from home. Nights were cold and cloth for coverlets was scarce. Pioneer women cut all bits of good material from worn-out garments and sewed them together regardless of size and shape, into "crazy quilts."

As pieces became more plentiful, women cut them into squares or oblongs of uniform size and sewed them together into "hit or miss" quilts. After a time they began to sew their squares and oblongs into "Roman stripe", "brick wall" and "log cabin" designs. Later they combined triangles and diamonds into stars and other patterns. The early pieced quilts were almost all geometrical in design.

The applique quilt appeared later. Coloured pieces were applied to large rectangles and made into a quilt of desired size.

Each quilt has a lining and an interlining. The lining, interlining and quilt top are stretched taut on a quilting frame. Then the quilter works out a design in tiny running stitches through all the layers.

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Crazy Quilts

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This quilt was made by Mrs. John Tyner and her daughters. It became an item in the hope chest of Clara Belle Tyner, married in 1911 to Charlie Hannah. Quilt now in home of Bill and Vera Hannah.

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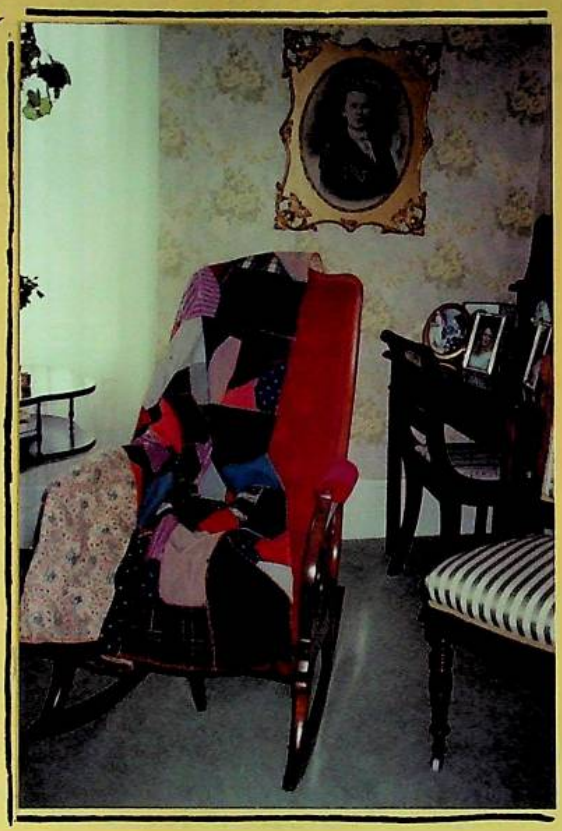

This crazy quilt was made by Mrs. James Wheeler. At present Mrs. Betty Wheeler, her daughter in-law, has the quilt.

Signature Quilts

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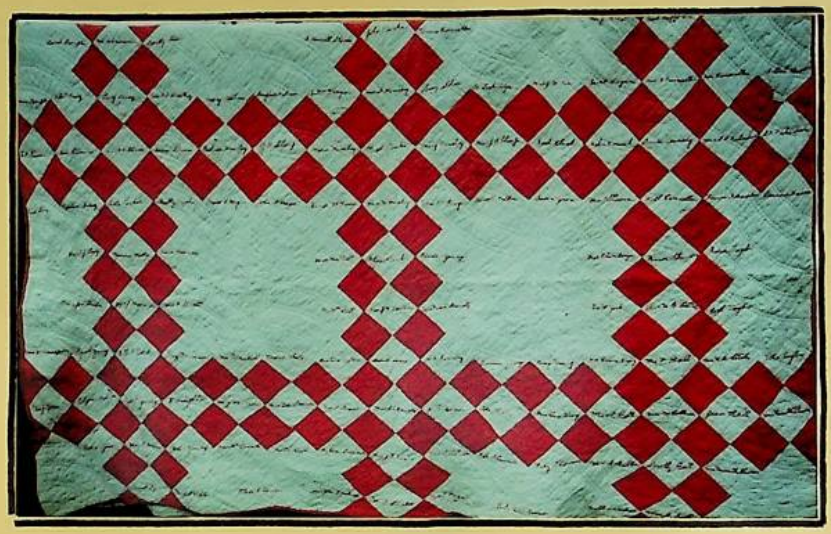
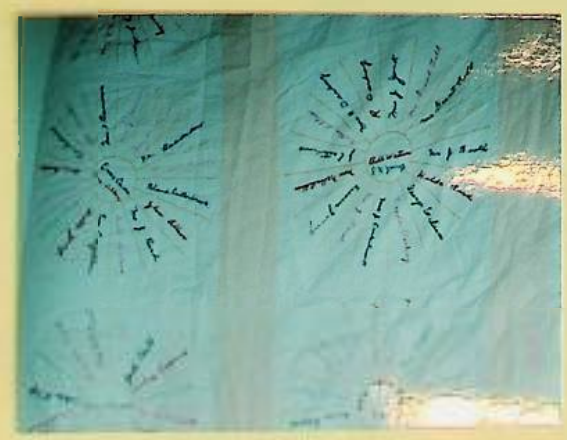


Signature quilts were made by groups such as Women's Institute, Red Cross or church women. Individuals paid to have their names on the quilt. Then the quilt was usually given to someone who had the lucky ticket.

The quilt above was made by women of Christ Church Guild. between 1920 and 1930. All names appear to have been embroidered by the same lady.



Signature quilt in wheel pattern

This quilt was bought at a sale of the area. Owned by Margie Turkington

Applique Quilts

1.

Pictures by Betty Wheeler

Morning Glory Design.

2.

Ed Forsyth worked with his wife Maggie to make the above quilt.
1930- 1940

3.

Poinsettia

Appliqué Quilts

Tulip quilt on frame

Elaborate quilting

The Sunbonnet Girl

Tree of Life

Tamworth N.I. Quilters

Agnes Storring

Marjorie Turkington

Jean Bradshaw

Joy Lloyd Vice Pres.

Ada Young →

Helen Craig →

← Marion Coulter President

Embroidered Quilt

Picture by M. Coulter

A quilt made from printed fabric

Jack Rafter/The Whig-Standard

Elva Clancy is showing no signs of slowing down her quilt production despite her age, saying her eyes and fingers are 'just fine'

Elva Clancy's a quilter, not a quitter

By Jack Rafter
Whig-Standard Staff Writer
NORTH FREDERICKSBURGH

PROFILE

ELVA CLANCY WELCOMES A REPORTER into her home by producing a small piece of note paper. Neatly handwritten on it are the words:

"I feel very fit for a person 80 years of age. The first thing I do every morning is bend down and touch my slippers 50 times. Then, if I feel like it, I get out of bed and put them on."

That kind of sparkle is in her eyes and voice too, and most certainly in her fingers. It seems to transfer itself into her hobbies, the making of quilts, afghans and hooked rugs. Her living room is a splash of color, with eye-catching samples draped across sofas, chairs and the carpeting.

"I do it because I enjoy it," she says. "And when I get going on a quilt, I'll be at it from seven o'clock in the morning until 11 at night. But on Sundays, I play the organ.

"I give them away," she says. "I've sold very few. I've gone all through the family with them, the grandchildren and all."

Her daughter, Helen Craig, marvels at "what an upbeat woman she is." Although she had a hip operation in 1982 and continues to be hampered by it, she hasn't let it slow her down much. And her spirits have remained high even though her 84-year-old husband William was recently admitted to the Lennox nursing home.

"She's not one to dwell on her troubles," her daughter said. "Even when she's alone, she's busy, her fingers are never idle."

Formerly a volunteer with the Napanee hospital auxiliary, she doesn't get out as much since her hip problem struck. But she remains active in quilting, as well as in the kitchen, baking bread, buns or other goodies twice a week.

Although she has made award-winning canned preserves, her quilting remains her biggest claim to fame. She has won numerous ribbons and first place awards for quilting entries in local fairs and exhibitions.

Organizers of such competitions should be advised to expect to see more of Elva Clancy. There's plenty of production in those nimble fingers yet.

"My hip is not so great right now," she says with a smile. "But my eyes and my fingers are just fine."

Tamworth H.I. quilters were always happy to have Helen Craig bring her mother, Mrs. Clancy, to a quilting in Sheffield Township Hall -

A very special quilt—

Buildings of Bath

Quilts ..... and fabric paints ---

Butterfly Design ....

Bird Design

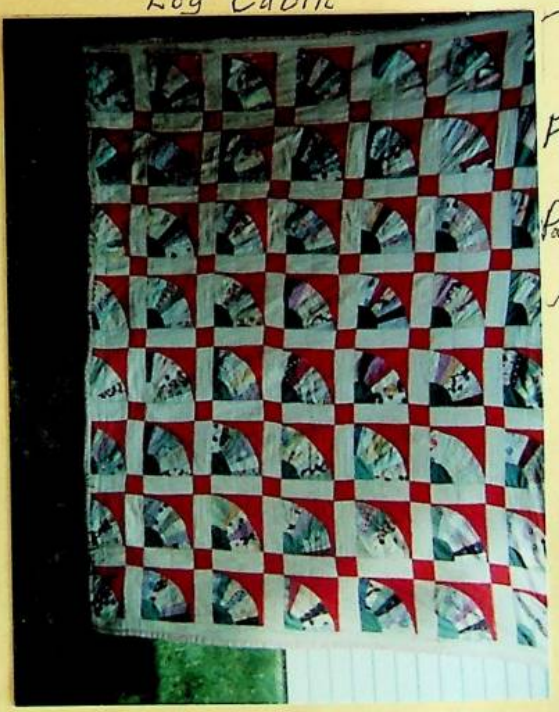
The Cross stitch Quilt

Trapunto quilting

Pictures donated by Agnes Starring

Crazy Quilt

Log Cabin



Fan Pattern

Fan Pattern

Monument Quilt
Names and dates were embroidered on white patch at the base

Pictures given by Mary Burns

1.

Quilt design done in cross stitch

2.

A view of the quilting stitches that holds the top, filler and lining together.

3.

Good quilting makes the back of a quilt almost as attractive as the top.

Pictures donated by Agnes Starring

1996

Tamworth W.I quilters did this attractive quilt for Laura Griffen

Tickets were sold on these items which were made and donated
The Afgan by Ada Young
The Painting by Helen Craig
The Doll by Joy Lloyd

The Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario

CENTENNIAL PRELUDE

QUILT SHOW & BARBEQUE

The Women's Institute

1897 · 1997 100TH ANNIVERSARY

For Home and Country

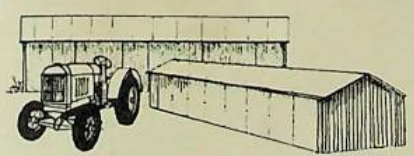
Ontario Agricultural Museum, Milton

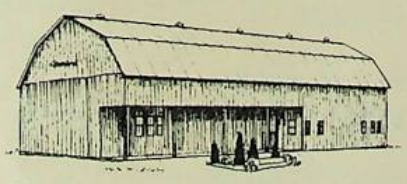
Wednesday, JUNE 14, 1995

ONTARIO AGRICULTURAL MUSEUM

SITE MAP

MILTON, ONTARIO





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The Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario

Centennial Prelude Quilt Show

FOR HOME AND COUNTRY

ONTARIO AGRICULTURAL MUSEUM
MILTON, ONTARIO

quilt contest categories

PIECED, APPLIQUE, MIXED MEDIA

ALSO prizes for

PEOPLE'S CHOICE
BEST COLOUR AND DESIGN 126
MOST CREATIVE USE OF FABRIC 325
SUPERIOR HAND QUILTING 330
BEST ADAPTATION OF TRADITIONAL PATTERN 301

Prizes and unveiling - Wed. June 14th 1995

CENTENNIAL QUILT COMMITTEE

Lois Urstadt Anna Jarrow Carol Craig

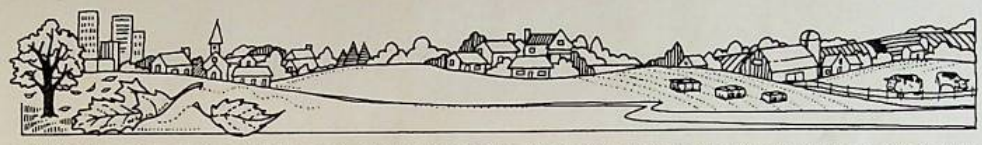
On June 14, 1995 Five members of Tamworth W.I. attended the Quilt Show of W.I. at Ontario Agricultural Museum.
Pres. Marion Coulter, Agnes Storring, Joy Lloyd, Marjorie Turkington, and Vera Hannah

WELCOME F.W.I.O. MEMBERS

TIME	ACTIVITY	# ON SITE MAP
	SPECIAL PRELUDE ACTIVITIES:	
9 am	Site Opens - 30 Buildings and displays to discover	
9 am - 2:30 pm	"People's Choice" quilt judging	Gambrel Barn # 4
9 am - 10 am	Coffee/Juice & Muffins (please use coffee mug provided)	Demonstration Area # 35 (Prepared by Hamilton & Area W.I.)
10 am	Opening Ceremonies & Flag Raising	Administration # 6
11 am 12 noon 1 pm	Barbecue Lunch: 3 times indicated by School Bell (3 Sittings - to avoid congestion report to tent at the time indicated on your ticket)	Demonstration Area # 35 (Lunch tent)
2:30 pm	Unveiling of Winning Quilt Official Greetings & Entertainment	Gambrel Barn # 4
3 pm	President's Tea (For current Branch, District and Area Presidents)	Tent at # 28
	DEMONSTRATIONS AND DISPLAYS:	
9 am - 4 pm	Meet Peter Etril Snyder Artist - Display of Originals & Museum Quilt Collection	W.A. Stewart Gallery # 6
10 am - 2:30 pm	Special appearance by International Plowing Match Waterloo '95 Conestoga Wagon and Historical & Antique Display Committee	Near Admin. Bldg. # 6
9 am - 4 pm	W.I. Centennial Quilt Entries on display	Gambrel Barn # 4
9 am - 4 pm	Memento Sales	Gambrel Barn # 4
9 am - 4 pm	Displays & Sales	Puslinch Hall # 3
9 am - 4 pm	F.W.I.O. Display Case	Administration # 6
9 am - 4 pm	1928 Heritage Flag & Pole - donated by F.W.I.O.	Mountview W.I. Hall # 28
9 am - 4 pm	Rest area & St. John Ambulance	Niagara Room - Adm. Bldg. # 6
9 am - 4 pm	Message Board	Outside Gambrel # 4
	COSTUMED INTERPRETERS BRING HISTORY TO LIFE:	
9 am - 5 pm	Spinning & Weaving	Clark McCleary # 5
9 am - 5 pm	Domestic Activities	1830's Farmstead & # 11 1860's Farmstead # 22
9 am - 5 pm	Blacksmithing	Blacksmith Shop # 14
9 am - 5 pm	Wheelwrighting	Carriage Works # 16
9 am - 5 pm	Bread Making	Mountview W.I. Hall # 28

Enjoy a wagon ride, visit the livestock or have a break at our Country Style Restaurant -The Cradle & Flail (#20 on site map)

THANKS FOR BEING PART OF A MEMORABLE DAY FOR F.W.I.O IN ONTARIO!!!



Prelude Quilt Show and Barbecue a Great Success

To kick off the Centennial of the Women's Institutes (WI) in Ontario, approximately 3800 members gathered for the Prelude Quilt Show and Barbecue on the grounds of the Ontario Agricultural Museum (OAM) near Milton. The actual 100th anniversary of the WI is not until 1997, but this event has been in the planning since 1988 and obviously gained the interest of many of Ontario's 15,000 plus members.

Most arrived by car or bus by nine o'clock, and were greeted at the gate by volunteers wearing Centennial T-shirts and red scarves. Everyone was handed a plastic bag containing a souvenir mug, as well as a program and a map of the grounds. The next stop - the coffee and muffin tent, courtesy of the Hamilton Area Women's Institutes.

The Opening Ceremonies and Flag Raising took place mid-morning outside the Museum's Administration Building. The new Women's Institute flag was raised as the crowd sang the Institute Ode, followed by O'Canada led by the Member of Parliament for Halton, Julien Reid. The gathering was welcomed by Margaret Zoeller - Chair of the Centennial Committee, Donna Russett - President of the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario (FWIO), and John Wiley - General Manager of the Museum.

Ticket sales for the barbecue were cut off at 3700. The crowd was served in three sittings - 11 a.m., 12 noon and 1 p.m. - seated at picnic tables in two large tents. The quantity of food served was overwhelming. And one member, Eleanor Horner from the Whitfield WI, Dufferin North District (also the caterer's mother-in-law), made all 3700 tea biscuits that were served with dessert.

By 2:30 p.m., it was time for a bit of entertainment and the unveiling of the winning quilts at the Gambrel Barn. Several songs from the Grumbling Grannies from Timiskaming brought chuckles from the floor. But a strong sense of pride pervaded the audience when Marie Harris, winner of the Centennial Song Competition, led them in her winning song.

All forty-three quilt entries were hanging in the Barn, and everyone had the opportunity to vote for the People's Choice. The Quilt Competition included three categories - pieced, applique and mixed medium. Three prizes were awarded in each category. As well as an overall winner, there were prizes for the best colour and design, the most creative use of fabric, superior hand quilting, and the best adaptation of a traditional pattern.

A special invitation had been issued to all Branch, District and Area Presidents to attend a President's Tea outside the Mountview Women's Institute Hall.

WI Centennial Song

It's a hundred years since
Adelaide Hoodless was convinced
That milk should be pasteurized.
Then Janet and Erland Lee
Found it easy to see
That women should organize.

For Mrs. Hoodless knew
That informed women grew,
So they did mobilize.
Hundred and one women came
And things were ne're the same,
For they formed the WI's.

So this idea spread,
Round the world it shed
Its light. Things modernized.
Then women's homes improved,
And country's laws were moved.
Their knowledge exercised.

To encourage, help and share,
Build a better world with care
Is the work of the WI's.
Now a hundred years young,
Still there's work to be done.
Women's lives to be vitalized.

Now it's time to celebrate:
Achievements commemorate
With honour and with pride.
This Centennial salute
Of the Women's Institute.
Women of the world, Arise!

© Words and music by Marie F. Harris, October, 1994

Prelude

Each individual arriving at the Agricultural Museum's gate on June 14 was greeted by a volunteer wearing a Centennial T-shirt and given a bag containing a souvenir mug and program.

Marg Zoeller, Chair of the Centennial Committee, said the Prelude set the stage for the 100th anniversary celebrations that were to follow in Hamilton in 1997. John Wiley, General Manager of the Museum, remarked that the whole day was really representative of the partnership that had been formed with the Women's Institutes and they were honoured to be a part of it. The Centennial Committee presented a plaque to the Museum in commemoration of the event.

"Today, is a time for fellowship and renewing friendships, and a time for fun and good food."

Donna Russell, President, FWIO

To feed 3700 people, it took:
- 1/2 ton of potato salad
- 360 heads of lettuce
- 1/2 ton barbecued turkey breast
- 60 flats of strawberries
- 3700 tea biscuits
- 40,000 oz. of coffee, tea and lemonade

Janet Horner, Whitfield Farms Country Catering Service

Profile:

Marie Harris & The Centennial Song

It was not until Marie Harris was bussed to high school from a rural village, that she was able to take music lessons, and then only during noon hours. Eventually, she graduated from the Royal Conservatory of Music with a Performance Diploma (ARCT). She studied pipe organs and was an organist. After her children grew up and went away to university, Marie returned to serious study of piano, harmony, counterpoint, ear-training and composition. Today, she teaches piano students and performs regularly with Pro Musica, a Guelph amateur classical music group. She has performed in Guelph, Kitchener and Toronto with organ, string and symphony orchestras. Marie enjoys many things in life: singing, wilderness canoeing, oil painting, house design, renovating and interior decorating, gardening, dressmaking, photography, knitting, listening to classical music, flying with her husband and travelling. Marie is a member of the Coningsby Women's Institute in Wellington Centre District.

Submitted by Mirele Reid, PWI, Coningsby WI, Wellington Centre District

Centennial Prelude Quilt Show Winners

Category 1 - Pieced

1st Prize - Boston Common
by Henny Veldhuizen , Elora

2nd Prize - Patterns of Time Sampler
by June Sparling, Owen Sound

3rd Prize - Aurora Borealis
by Drika Foster, Alma

Category 2 - Applique

1st Prize - Celtic
by Florence Wilhelm, Tavistock

2nd Prize - Mama's Days - 100 Years Ago
by Doris Bushell, Wingham

3rd Prize - Canadian Rose
by Ashgrove WI, Halton District

Category 3 - Mixed Media

1st Prize - See the Fans, Fish, Fowl & Flowers?
by June Sparling, Owen Sound

2nd Prize - Lennox Plate
by Helen Markle, Cambridge

3rd Prize - Treasures and a Tree
by Bethesda Reach WI, Ontario North District

Overall Winner

◆ Boston Common
by Henny Veldhuizen, Elora

Best Colour and Design

◆ Aurora Borealis
by Drika Foster, Alma

Most Creative Use of Fabric

◆ Patterns of Time Sampler
by June Sparling, Owen Sound

Superior Hand Quilting

◆ Celtic
by Florence Wilhelm, Tavistock

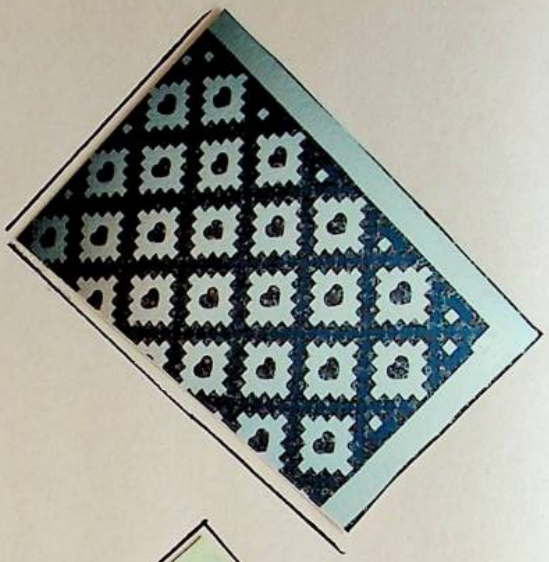
Best Adaptation of Traditional Pattern

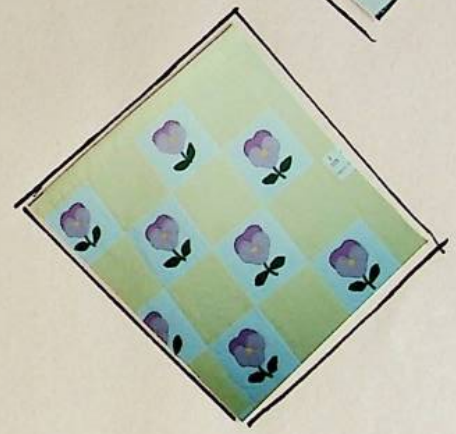
◆ Daisy Pin Wheel
by Margaret Henderson, Paris

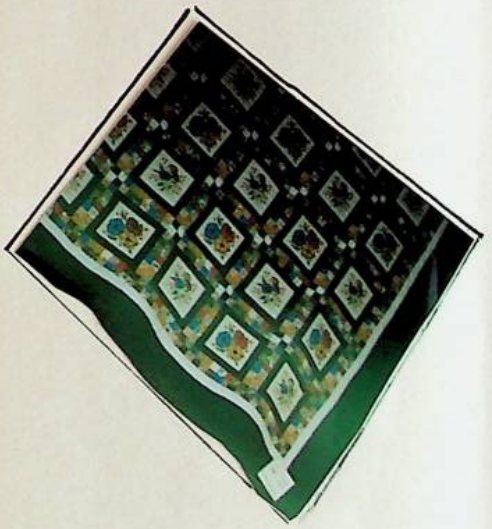
People's Choice

◆ Mama's Days - 100 Years Ago
by Doris Bushell, Wingham

Some of the Quilt Competition winners are pictured above. In the front row are Henny Veldhuizen (left) and June Sparling (right). In the middle row are Helen Markle (left), Marion Hunter, on behalf of Ashgrove WI (centre), and Doris Bushell (right). The Quilt Competition Committee members are in the back row: Carol Craig (left), Anna Farrow (centre) and Lois Urstadt (right).







The Quilt Show

FROM NECESSITY TO *Fine Art*

By Kathleen K. Haynes

"I just love to watch them grow," says Betty Taylor, a member of the London, Ontario Friendship Quilters' Guild. She was not referring to roses or children, both of which require tender loving care to do well, but to the quilts she fashions with equally painstaking care and a large dollop of measured precision. Unlike children or roses, one wrong or careless measurement often means starting over from scratch. Yet watching a quilt grow is like building a pyramid — it happens one block at a time.

Historically, quilting was a technique used to repair sails at the time of Christ. In the romantic era of knights, armor was put on over a quilted undergarment. And pioneer women used quilts to retain warmth in drafty, cold houses. The insulating materials in those earlier quilts were as simple as leaves or the unspun wool from the quilters' flocks of sheep.

The importance of quilts to settlers is evidenced in an anecdote recounted by June Hale, resource director and secretary of the Canadian Quilters' Association: A pioneer bride who was on her way across the Atlantic Ocean to her new home in Canada was informed that a bride must have twelve quilts in her hope chest. Fortunately, she possessed a "newfangled" treadle sewing machine and she treadled her way across the ocean to arrive in the new land with enough quilts to start her new life.

Quilting still assumes importance, particularly in times of economic deprivation, such as the Great Depression, since both old and new materials may be used to make a quilt.

A quilted item is made of three layers: the backing, a filling, and a top which is usually pieced together in a variety of colorful or plain designs. The item itself can range from a piece of clothing to a bed cover or a wall hanging. The possibilities are as wide as the imagination of the quilter.

The outer parts of quilts are usually made of pure cotton with polyester batting as the filling. If cared for properly (that is, never using detergents or an automatic dryer) a quilt for the bed may last for fifty years. Although it can take five hours to do just the quilting on a baby's quilt, the resulting item can outlast any frequently washed blanket.

Hand quilting is a long process; it is the final intricate finishing of the already pieced-together article (machine sewing, of course, is much faster). Some quilters send their creations to church groups for this final quilting.

Pioneer quilters used the tools they had, such as a plate pushed across a quilt to draw the circles. Today's quilters, which include both men and women, use a multitude of rulers and squares for the intricate patterns. The hobby can be as expensive as your wallet can handle. Basic items are rulers and a rotary cutter. Hale uses a carpenter's set square for some of her work. No house was ever built with more precision. The more sophisticated the quilting you do, the more tools you need.

You also require a place to do your quilting, such as that spare bedroom. But the dining room table can also be called into service. You will need ample cupboard space for the yards of material that are bound to collect.

Choosing a pattern is a unique experience. The names for traditional quilts are novel — think of waking up under Drunkard's Path, Log Cabin, Dresden Plate, Wedding Ring or Grandma's Fan. Hale's favorite is Castle Wall, and she has just completed Lovers Knot. Most quilt patterns have as many variations as there have been quilters, and quilt shows are

well attended by avid aficionados eager to learn what other quilters are doing with traditional patterns, as well as modern designs. Taylor, with her friend Bev Jeffery, is on the road many weekends in the summer just to view and admire what other quilters are doing.

Hale, who also belongs to the Oxford Quilters' Guild, stresses the value of mathematical skill and a sense of design and balance, since quilting is a precise form of handiwork.

Hale states, "You can't put your brains in neutral and make a quilt." An artistic eye will help in choosing and matching colors. For example, it takes great skill to work with white-on-white. Good eyesight is another definite asset for a prospective quilter due to all those tiny stitches. Manual dexterity is important, and with consistently newer techniques, quilting has become a hands-on reaction to modern technology.

But relaxation is also one of the benefits, affirm Hale and Taylor. It is a mental challenge as well as a manual activity. Although quilt competitions abound, the biggest competition is with yourself. Barbara Anderson, a recent British visitor of the Hales and a new convert to quilting, notes that it is an absorbing activity that helps you forget that you are on your own. Hale says that skills develop over time, and a teaching guild is the ideal place to start learning.

And who are these people picking up an old skill and making modern creations? The London Friendship Quilters' Guild has approximately 45 members ranging in age from 18 to well into their 70s. The Oxford Quilters' Guild has 105 members from the age of 30 onwards. And it is not just little old ladies sipping tea and whiling away the time. From the tenderest age, many women and men are handcrafting new heirlooms. As Taylor says, one day

her grandchildren will be proud to boast, "My grandma made that!"

Hale's small granddaughter once convinced her teacher (and Hale) to come and teach her class at school to quilt for an afternoon. The class was enthraled and was bitten by the bug. Taylor responded to a request from her guild to put on a live quilting display at Fanshawe Pioneer Village near London. As they sat in the sun quilting, they were visited not only by interested neophyte quilters, but by a mother raccoon and her five babies.

From the intense satisfaction of watching a quilt grow, to the pleasure of relaxation and sense of accomplishment, this craft has a great deal to offer quilters of all ages. It has indeed become a modern fine-art medium, arising from our basic need for warmth and clothing, much as gourmet cooking is a product of our need for nourishment. From children to busy working men and women, to those whom age has robbed of active play, more and more people are busy quilting.

And, if you want to sell your products, quilting can be rewarding — prices begin at $300! The fact that it is labor intensive is part of the charm and satisfaction of quilting, and a wonderful foil to this world of instant food and mass production.

Quilts were special gifts for kids at cancer clinic

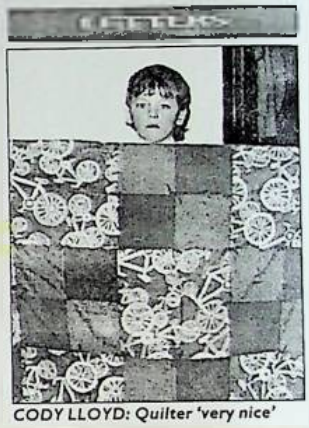
This letter is to say thank you to the nice lady who made the quilts for all the kids at the Kingston Regional Cancer Clinic ("Woman's quilted gifts warm cancer patients," Dec. 11).

Her name is Maureen Tresnak and she lives in Stratford. I don't know her, and neither does my mom, but she is very nice.

I went to the Christmas party at the Cancer Clinic with my family and got presents. I got a CD from Santa and I got a quilt and a set of hockey sticks from the lady who made the quilts.

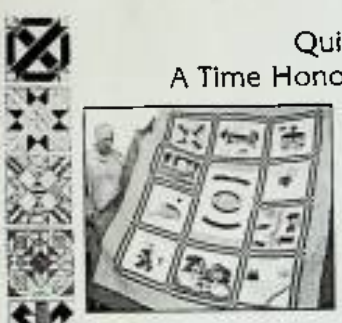
She wasn't there because she is having a baby soon so we couldn't say thank you to her. But I want her to know that I really liked the quilt and the hockey sticks. Thank you.

Cody Lloyd
Age 7
Kingston



CODY LLOYD: Quilter 'very nice'

Quilting:
A Time Honoured Tradition



Bruce North Quilt Raffle All Sewn Up

Hazel Farncoush (left) of Ferndale was the winner of the Bruce North District Women's Institute Quilt. The idea of a District Quilt was promoted by two outstanding members of the Elsinore Branch, Keona Suiter and Monica Pew. The quilt was designed, assembled and stitched by the members of the ten Branches in Bruce North.

Submitted by Bruce North District

Phelps WI Honours Pioneer Families

This pioneer quilt was handmade by Phelps WI member Marilyn Hummel (left) as a fund raising project. Descendants of the pioneer families of Phelps Township paid to have their names embroidered on the quilt. It now hangs in the foyer of the Phelps Central School in Red Bridge.

Submitted by Gertrude Stephens, Secretary-Treasurer Phelps WI, Nipissing District

Annual Quilt Show a Great Success!

The Richard's Landing and Clover Valley Women's Institutes have sponsored a Quilt Show since 1988. It is a popular tourist attraction for the many summer visitors to St. Joseph Island.

Submitted by Shirley Lewis, WI(S) Richards Landing WI, Algoma North Shore District

Can you name these quilt designs ?

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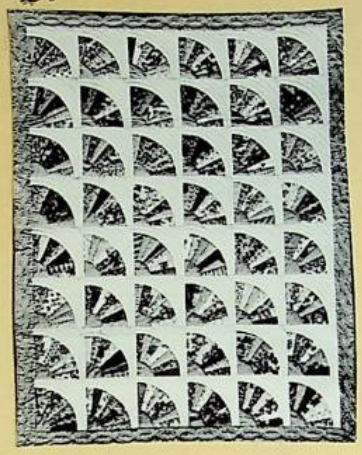

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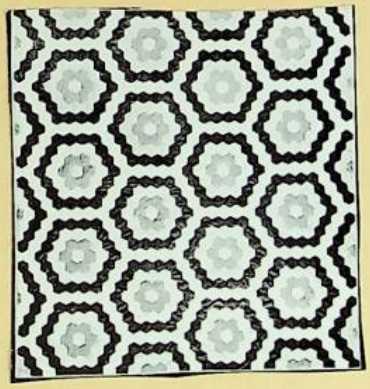

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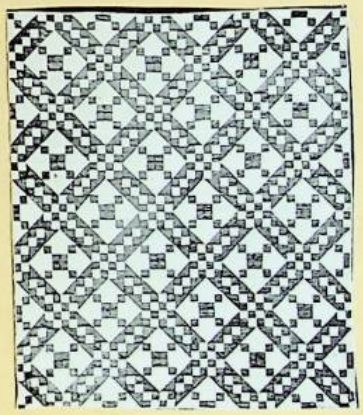

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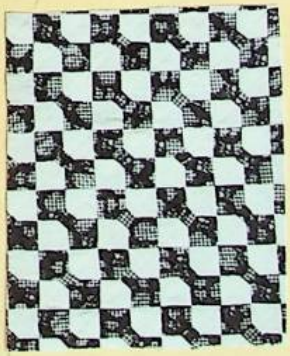

Answers on reverse side.

1. Log Cabin 2. Grandmother's Fan 3. Maple Leaf

4. Nine Patch 5. Grandmother's Flower Garden

6. Railroad 7. Double Wedding Ring

8. Friendship's Circle 9. Bow Tie

WAITING IN WINGS at her was first-place finish for crafter Noreen Tyner of Manitana, Ontario. Three months of work were cocooned into cozy comforter.

Great quilt

Members of the Saskatchewan Seniors Association Inc. (SSAI) have made the world's biggest quilt, and it was an overwhelming success. It covered completely the Nipawin curling rink, and then curved up the back wall. Participants were from all across our province. And it is now official: we did break the previous world record — our quilt will appear in the 1996 edition of the *Guinness Book of World Records*.

— Hughena Watkins
Director, Region G, SSAI

PUCKISH PATTERN looks sporty adorning Debra Padlesky's first handmade spread. St. Paul, Alberta subscriber had to skate through applique of hockey emblems to reach goal.